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fair and continued cold;  
strong northerly winds.

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## FILIPINO UPRISING WAS NIPPED IN BUD

10,000 Filipinos Planned Con-  
certed Attack on Fort Santiago  
—U.S. Sailors Repelled Attack

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—A Filipino uprising was nipped in the bud recently, according to advices reaching the war department today from Manila. It follows:

A general warning was sent to all officers on Thursday afternoon saying that fully 10,000 Filipinos in Manila alone were ready for a concerted attack on Fort Santiago in the canal between the city and the bay, and the military units were immediately prepared and a street patrol was started at dusk.

Constitutional agents who are members of the secret societies disclosed the plans for an uprising, thus enabling a force of constabulary and police to disperse the gathering at Bagumbayan, near Navotas, near Makabasa. A Colonel a squad of American sailors seized chairs when a force of Filipinos approached a dance hall in which they were gathered and using the chairs as weapons routed the Filipinos, of whom quite a number were injured.

The rising was evidently poorly organized and lacked leaders. It was composed for the most part of persons implicitly trusting the word of Arturo Ricarte, a revolutionary who conducts a continual propaganda from Hong Kong, to which place he was banished.

## GENERAL MILES COMING

WILL BE THE PRINCIPAL SPEAKER  
AT THE BOARD OF TRADE MILITARY  
NIGHT AT ARMY

Lieut. Gen. Nelson A. Miles has accepted the invitation to be the principal speaker at the military night of the board of trade which will be conducted at the state armory in Westford street on the evening of Jan. 6. At the last meeting of the committee in charge of the event it was decided to have a speaker of wide prominence give a talk on military affairs, and at the suggestion of Major C. E. Kittredge, the board of trade sent an invitation to Lieut. Gen. Miles.

As soon as Major Kittredge was notified of the acceptance of Lieut. Gen. Miles he made arrangements to have Tabor's Sixty Regiment band and the four local companies escort the visitor to the armory on the evening of the event.

## FUNERALS

ROCHA.—The funeral of Manuel Rocha took place yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock from the home of his parents, Juan and Maria Rocha, 210 North street. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons had charge.

COLLINS.—The funeral services of Mrs. Henrietta H. Collins, who died recently in Providence, R. I., were held Thursday at the Edison cemetery chapel. Rev. Mr. Hofer, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church in Ashland, conducted the services. The body was placed in the cemetery tomb. The arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Young & Blake.

NILES.—The funeral of Mrs. Bertha E. Niles was held Thursday afternoon from the home of her wife, Mrs. C. H. Niles, 210 North street. The services were conducted by Rev. Raymond G. Clapp, pastor of the First Presbyterian church and appropriate eulogies were given by Rev. J. F. Filderton and Mrs. G. P. Nichols. The bearers were Sewall A. Potter, Minto Garland, Harry Kelly and Frank Gledhill. The body was placed in the tomb in the Edison cemetery. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Young & Blake.

KELLY.—The funeral of Winn W. Kelly was held Thursday afternoon from his home, 65 Mount Grove street. The services were conducted by Rev. Edward H. Newcomb, pastor of the First Congregational church. Miss Lillian E. Powers sang "Sometimes We'll Understand" and "The Home-land." The ushers were E. A. Bates, S. L. Kneeland, Arthur Bartlett and Charles O. Hall. Burial was in the family lot in Westford cemetery where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Mr. Newcomb. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck.

SHERBURNE.—The funeral of Mrs.

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## \$75,000 LOSS CAUSED BY FIRE IN CHELSEA

Lumber Plant Swept by Fire Today—  
Chelsea, Boston and Everett Fire  
Departments Prevented the Flames  
From Sweeping Across the City

CHELSEA, Dec. 26.—The lumber plant of Pope & Cottle on Carter st., adjoining the main line of the eastern division of the Boston & Maine railroad, was swept by fire today with a loss of \$75,000. The local fire department, aided by firemen from Boston and Everett, prevented the flames from sweeping across the city, although a stiff northwest wind prevailed.

The fire cleaned out a hundred foot brick building, the business offices, stables and lumber piles of Pope &

Cottle, destroyed two steam cranes belonging to the railroad and damaged a small building of the Atwood & McManus box factory adjoining. The Pope & Cottle firm escaped the conflagration of 1905 only by suffering a heavy fire loss a few months later.

Fireman Injured  
The fire blocked all traffic between Lynn and Boston over the main line of the eastern division of the Boston & Maine railroad and through trains

were despatched by way of the Saugus branch. A number of telephone cables leading from Boston to points along the north shore as far as Newburyport were crippled by the burning of the poles. One fireman, Thomas White, was painfully hurt when a pile of lumber toppled over on him.

The blaze is thought to have started in the boiler room of the Pope & Cottle plant.

## TRUE WINTER WEATHER

32 Below at Northfield, Vt.—30  
Below at Gloverville, N. Y.—  
Records Broken at Many Points

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—A breath of true winter weather brought zero temperatures to New England today, except to the extreme southeastern section. The cold was unusually severe in northern Vermont, where Northfield shivered in a record-breaking temperature for that point of 32 below zero. Burlington influenced to some extent by Lake Champlain was 21 degrees warmer than Northfield, while in Greenville, Me., which sometimes rivals Northfield as a cold weather spot, it was only 16 below.

On the coast it was even warmer with 12 below at Eastport, six below at Portland, two below at Boston and 14 below at Nantucket.

The cold weather hampered transportation to some extent but it virtually clinched the ice crop in the entire section.

30 BELOW AT GLOVERVILLE, N.Y.  
GLOVERVILLE, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Thirty degrees below zero was the official temperature here at 7 a. m. today, the lowest December record for 30 years. Allroadcast points reported 30 below.

30 BELOW AT MANY POINTS  
WATERTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Northern New York is experiencing today the coldest weather of the winter. The official thermometer registered 21 below zero during the night in this city and at eight o'clock this morning it was 20 below. Temperatures of 20 below, have been reported from various points in Jefferson county.

20 BELOW AT PITTSFIELD  
PITTSFIELD, Dec. 26.—All cold weather records for December in this vicinity were broken during the night. In the city the thermometer fell to 25 below. Throughout the Lebanon valley just west of this city the thermometer was as low as 32 degrees below zero. Stephentown, N. Y., reported 32 below. Throughout the Lebanon valley just west of this city the thermometer was as low as 32 degrees below zero. Stephentown, N. Y., reported 32 below. Lebanon, N. Y., 30 below, and New Lebanon, N. Y., 30 below.

## IN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

Impressive Christmas Services  
With Sermons on the Nativity  
and Grand Musical Programs

The feast of Christmas was celebrated in the Catholic churches of the city yesterday with all the elaborate ceremonial prescribed for its observance. In most cases masses were at the same time as on Sunday, but in decoration, in special music and all the other externals of Catholic worship, the character of the great feast day was well reflected. The solemnity and its significance and the story was beautifully illustrated by the little Christmas cribs with their life-like stationary groups.

St. Patrick's  
The services at St. Patrick's church were especially impressive. The beautiful altar was decorated even more elaborately than in former years with great quantities of evergreen which were hung from the roof and gathered about the pillars. Clusters of greenery surrounded the lights and the altar was ablaze with candles and cut flowers. Everywhere were touches of brilliant color to relieve the greenery and give the day its own peculiar atmosphere.

The high mass was celebrated by Rev. Joseph A. Curtin, assisted by Rev. Timothy P. Callahan as sub-deacon, and Rev. James J. Kerrigan as altar boy. Rev. William O'Brien, P. R., was present within the sanctuary. Rev. Kerrigan preached a forcible sermon upon the Nativity and what it means to all the world. The elaborate musical program was given by the choir of 50 voices under the direction of Organist Michael J. Johnson, solo being by Miss Alice Murphy, Mrs. James Morris, Andrew A. McCarthy and John J. McNabb. The sanctuary choir of 100 voices in charge of Brother Niles sang the responses beautifully and also gave some impressive selections. The vesper service at 7 o'clock at-

tracted a very large congregation and the splendid musical program was carried out in a most effective manner.

Immaculate Conception  
The church of the Immaculate Conception made a beautiful picture of Christmas celebration yesterday with the tasteful decorations that carried the eye along the aisles and to the altar with its clusters of beautiful flowers and its special lights. Round the pillars in the central aisle were artistic arrangements of holly leaves and berries of color. Near the altar of the Blessed Virgin was the exquisite little crib with its sheltering pine trees and its glittering star overhead. High mass was sung at 6 a. m. by Rev. Dennis A. Sullivan, O. M. I., and there was a mass hourly until 11 when the high mass of the day was celebrated. The celebrant of the high mass was Rev. James J. McCarthy, assisted by Rev. Owen P. McQuaid, O. M. I., as deacon, and Rev. Edward J. Fox, O. M. I., as sub-deacon. The sermon was preached by Rev. Lawrence P. Tighe, O. M. I. The musical program was especially elaborate.

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O. M. I. of the Tewksbury novitiate, assisted by Rev. Mullin and Murphy as deacon and sub-deacon respectively. Rev. John J. Shaw, the pastor, was present within the sanctuary. The church presented a beautiful and impressive picture being decorated with greenery of the season and the altar being gay with cut flowers and lights. When the many special lights were turned on at the evening services the effect was strikingly beautiful. Rev. Fr. Shaw celebrated the vesper service, assisted by Rev. Fr. Mullin and Rev. Fr. Murphy.

St. Michael's maintained its high reputation for church music by the splendid program prepared for the occasion, by Director James A. Murphy, with Miss Kelly at the organ. A noteworthy feature was the stirring singing of the sanctuary choir which alternated with the regular choirs during the morning and evening services.

Solemn high mass was celebrated at St. Peter's church yesterday at 11 o'clock by Rev. James J. Carey, O. M. I. of the Tewksbury novitiate, assisted by Rev. W. George Mullin, as deacon, and Rev. P. J. Crayton, sub-deacon. The sermon was given by Rev. Dr. Keleher, pastor, who also spoke at the evening masses. The vesper services were held at 6 o'clock and the celebrant was Rev. Dr. Keleher, assisted by Rev. Dr. J. Heffernan, deacon, and Rev. W. George Mullin, sub-deacon. An elaborate musical program was carried out as previously published while the church was resplendent in its magnificent Christmas decorations.

A meeting of the consultants of the Holy Name society will be held Monday evening in the school hall.

At the Christmas exercises at St. Peter's school Thursday the presentation speech, a pretty one, was made by little Miss Margaret Josephine Ward, daughter of President Howard D. Ward of the Holy Name society.

Sacred Heart

In no church of the city were the beautiful Christmas services held in a more appropriate setting than in the Sacred Heart church on Moore street, for here the decorations were exceptionally impressive. The whole was arranged so that the altar attracted the immediate attention being backed with immense clusters of gorgeous flowers, traced delicately with ropes of

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TO REPRESENT WILSON

SEC. AND MRS. McADOO START

FOR SAN DIEGO, CAL., TO AT-

TEND EXPOSITION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—To represent President Wilson at the opening of the exposition at San Diego, Cal., is the object of a trip today which Secretary McAdoo had arranged to take.

Accompanied by Mrs. McAdoo, the president's youngest daughter, one of the last official acts of the secretary before leaving was the issuance of a statement in which all shipping companies have been affected by high ocean freight rates and scarcity of vessels are called upon to send the facts to the treasury or commerce departments. The information is called for under a senate resolution directing the two departments to investigate the subject.

Letters already received, according to Secretary McAdoo, show that the scarcity of vessels is so great and the freight rates are so high that American foreign trade is being seriously handicapped.

For New Year's Eve

Reservations will be accepted up to a certain number only, so that there will be no crowding, assuring you the best of service and affording you the fullest opportunity of enjoying to the fullest extent an excellent supper and entertainment in the right way and at the proper place.

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## TURKS ATTACK CREW OF AMERICAN SHIP

U. S. Cruiser Threatens to Shell  
Turkish Port—Italy May Enter  
War—French Submarine Sunk

Bombardment by an American cruiser of the Turkish port of Tripoli is said at Athens to have been threatened because of an attack by Turks on the crew of an American merchantman on which British and French citizens desired to depart. The incomplete reports received from Athens state that the threat of the warship's commander quelled the attack. The cruiser Tennessee has been in the eastern Mediterranean for several months and was last reported near Tripoli. Italy's occupation of the Albanian port of Avlona was believed to open possibilities of complications which might make it difficult for the Italian government to maintain its neutrality. The attitude of Rumania, also, was more than ever a matter of doubt, on account of reports from Paris that the only obstacle which prevented her from joining with the Triple Entente had been removed. Bulgaria was represented as having given assurances that she would remain neutral, relieving Rumania from the fear of an attack from that quarter should she enter the war.

Despatches from Chile stated that the last of what was Germany's Pacific squadron was fighting to escape the fate which overtook her four companion cruisers when they met the British. The German cruiser Dresden, with the converted cruiser Zule Friedrich were said to have been engaged by the British cruiser Newcastle, near Valparaiso. The Italian press states, according to the Matin, that a French submarine belonging to the fleet of Vice Admiral La Peyroere has been sunk while attempting to torpedo Austrian battleships in the Austrian naval base of Pola. The crew it is stated were rescued and taken prisoners.

GERMAN AIRPLANE WAS SIGHTED  
OFF SHEPHERD, ENGLAND,  
YESTERDAY

SHEPHERD, Dec. 25, via London, Dec. 26, 12:22 a. m.—A German aeroplane was sighted off South End today. The weather was misty and the machine was flying at a great height at high speed. Several rounds were fired from anti-aircraft, apparently without hitting the German, but naval aeroplanes soon chased the intruder, who disappeared.

Many thousands of people flocked to

the sea front to witness the affair. Later three British aeroplanes tried to outflank the German machine, but the latter was flying too fast and disappeared to the eastward.

The weather was clear on land. Nothing has been heard regarding the dropping of any bombs. The war office issued the following official statement last night on the attack:

A hostile aeroplane was sighted today at 12:55. It was flying very high from east to west over Sheerness. "British aircraft went in pursuit and engaged the enemy, who after being hit three or four times was driven off seaward."

Sheerness is on the Isle of Sheppey, Kent, facing the broad estuary of the Thames river, and 21 miles east of London and about the same distance northwest of Dover.

THE RUSSIAN IMPERIAL FAMILY  
LEAVES WARSAW—CLEAR OFF  
FOR FRONT

WARSAW, Dec. 26.—The Russian imperial family who have been here for several days departed this evening, the emperor setting out for the battle-front and the Empress Alexandra leaving for Tarskoe Selo with their son and two daughters.

Today the imperial guests visited several hospitals and the emperor inspected the military school. At the Kremlin, palace the emperor received several delegations.

TAX ON ALL UNMARRIED PERSONS  
OVER 27 IN BRUSSELS—INDEMNITY PASSED OVER

PARIS, Dec. 26.—German proclamations announcing a levy of 500,000 francs indemnity at Brussels have been passed over, says the Journal, and the report is current that the measure was withdrawn by the German government as the result of representations by the American secretary of state, W. B. Bryan through Minister Brand Whitlock, pointing out that the tax was in violation of the Hague convention.

It is announced that the Germans have imposed a tax of 25 francs on all unmarried persons over 27 years of age in Brussels.

## ARREST 46 MEN LAWRENCE FIRE

Charged With Conspir-  
acy to Violate Election  
Laws at Terre Haute

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 26.—The arrest of 46 men at Terre Haute late last night who were indicted by the federal grand jury here this morning charged with conspiracy to violate the election laws may be followed today by others bringing the total number of arrests up to 100 or more.

United States Attorney Francis C. Daley who conducted the investigation before the federal grand jury said today he would take up at once the Indianapolis election cases where it is claimed that frauds were committed at the November election. Evansville also may come in for an investigation, as complaints have been filed with the district attorney alleging election frauds at the November election.

United States courts have jurisdiction in the proposed investigation because a United States senator and member of congress were voted for at the last general election.

MATRIMONIAL

BELKINGTON—HAMILTON

Mr. Henry Lee Belkington of 21 Olive street, this city, and Miss Madeline Rhoda Hamilton of Cambridge, were married Thursday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Hamilton, 100 E. Cambridge street. Mr. Belkington holds a lucrative position as private stenographer in a Boston office, and is well known in this city, having been employed in the office of the Geo-Lowell machine shops for several years.

BARNARD—RILEY

Charles S. Barnard and Miss Margaret A. Riley of Concord, Mass., were married Thursday evening at home of the bridegroom, in Fourth street, the ceremony being performed by Rev. A. B. Riggs, pastor of the Pentecostal church.

CABBY—EVANS

Hugh Cabby and Mrs. Sarah Evans were married Thursday evening by Rev. Henry C. Correll at his home, 21 Blossom street. The couple will make their home at 15 Blossom street.

WARREN—JAYNE

Winthrop T. Warren of Lewiston, Me., and Miss Alice E. Payne of Gardner, were married yesterday afternoon at the Spalding house in this city by Rev. Dr. Smith Baker, uncle of the bride. A dinner was served to the guests following the ceremony.

If your teeth trouble you, see Dr. Gagnon, 466 Merrimack street.

Blaze Broke Out in the  
Samuel Smith Ma-  
chine Shop Today

LAWRENCE, Dec. 26.—Fire broke out in the top floor of the Samuel Smith Machine shop at ten o'clock this morning. The building is a three-story wooden structure and it looked as if the firemen could not save the building.

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## FALL WAS FATAL

Mrs. Mary E. Osgood  
Fell Down Stairs at  
Her Home

Mrs. Mary E. Osgood, a widow, 87 years of age, died yesterday afternoon as a result of falling down a flight of stairs in her home, 37 Savetile place. From the information gathered by neighbors, Mrs. Osgood was working about the house when, in some manner, she slipped and fell the whole length of the stairs. Dr. Sweet, who was called, but the woman died before he arrived. The body was removed to the rooms of Undertaker George W. Healey, where it was examined by Dr. J. V. Wells, who pronounced death due to a fracture and dislocation of the spine. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Katherine B. Snyder.

Fred C. Church carried insurance on the building in the name of A. E. O'Brien, Third street, damaged by fire last night.

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**KILLED BY TRAIN**

Brakeman Struck by Express at the Bleachery Station

James W. Cooper, aged 42 years, a brakeman on the B. & M. railroad was struck and almost instantly killed by a Lowell bound express in the Bleachery yard Thursday night. He lived at 22 Chambers street and leaves a wife and several children.

Cooper was working on a yard shifter and stepped from behind his, directly in front of the speeding express. He sustained a fractured skull while his legs were badly mangled. Deceased had worked on the railroad for many years, and was well known in all local freight yards.

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**CONDITIONS IN SERBIA**

NURSE SAYS SHE HAS NEVER SEEN SUCH SUDDEN AND TERRIBLE DESTITUTION

LONDON, Dec. 25.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press).—A Serbian Red Cross nurse, writing to the Serbian relief committee in London, describes conditions in Serbia as follows:

"I have seen five wars—what is Serbia's history but a series of wars?—but never have I seen such sudden and terrible destitution. Wounded are lying everywhere, in the houses, on the streets, in the squares, and we are disturbed in our efforts to care for them by the crowd of fugitives constantly pouring in.

"We give what we have, but it is so little, and we are always short. The doors of the Red Cross depot are thronged with supplicants for food and lodging. You know how proud our people are. Nobody wanted to be rich, for all had enough, and now for the first time we realize that we are poor. There is not a family untroubled by the war.

"We have soup kitchens, refuge hospitals, at every turn—all in desperate need. Bakers and butchers are ruined, for we have no money to pay them. One baker said to me weeks ago: 'I have no son to send to the war, but I will give what I have.' He supplied our hospital gratis with bread until his flour gave out. Now he is bankrupt.

"At Scutari three thousand waifs and wanderers arrived last week. The people took them in. I am convinced not a household in that town now has a full meal.

"Yet we do not lose heart. Many of the soldiers give us money, if they can. Yesterday we got contributions of 70 dinars (\$14) and in three cities a total of 2250 dinars (\$450) was collected in two days. This is an enormous sum in Serbia, where a grosh (four cents) is no commoner than a pound sterling (\$5) in England."

**IMPORTS AND EXPORTS**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Figures made public by the department of commerce today show that November imports totaled \$128,467,007 against \$138,060,520 in October, \$139,710,000 in September, and \$127,507,509 in August, and were \$21,760,529 less than in November last year. November exports totaled \$205,766,424, against \$194,711,170 in October, \$156,052,337 in September, and \$110,367,494 in August, and were \$29,772,618 below those for November last year. This falling off included a decrease of \$71,491,324 in cotton, all other articles as a whole showing a net increase of \$31,628,706.

The excess of exports over imports for the month was \$76,298,417, compared with \$56,820,500 in October, \$16,344,722 in September, and an import balance of \$19,403,506 in August. Of the November imports, 62.1 per cent entered free of duty, against 51.7 per cent in November, 1913, and 58.6 per cent in November, 1912.

Comparing the trade movements in the eleven months ended November 30, 1914, with those of a like period of 1913, imports show a total of \$1,671,619,401 against \$1,695,570,909 last year, and exports, \$1,857,572,553, against \$2,250,822,664 last year.

Imports of gold in November last totaled \$7,391,729, against \$7,040,782 in November, 1913; and in the eleven months, \$53,278,678, against \$58,631,475 in the corresponding period last year.

Gold exports in November aggregated \$14,526,482, against \$6,362,955 in November, 1913; and in the eleven months, \$222,485,232, against \$81,226,017 in the same months of last year.

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THIS year seems to be the bottom of the slowing down of business and 1915 looks very much brighter. We realize to unload our stock we must give most radical bargains and have marked extremely low prices on Suits and Overcoats—no goods are to be carried over and if you wish good clothes at bargain prices you cannot afford to miss this sale.

With a few exceptions our entire Medium and Heavy Weight Stock of Suits and Overcoats will be marked as follows ---on many small lots and odd garments the reductions will be still greater.

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\$20, \$22, \$25, \$28 Medium Heavy Weight Suits Marked Down to **\$17.50**  
 \$18, \$20, \$22 Medium Heavy Weight Suits Marked Down to **\$14.50**  
 \$15, \$18, \$20 Medium Heavy Weight Suits Marked Down to **\$12.75**  
 \$10, \$12.75, \$15 Suits Marked Down to **\$7.75 and \$9.75**

**OVERCOATS**

\$20, \$22, \$25 Overcoats and Balmacaans Marked Down to **\$17.50**  
 \$18, \$20, \$22 Overcoats and Balmacaans Marked Down to **\$14.50**  
 \$15, \$18 Overcoats and Balmacaans Marked Down to **\$12.75**  
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# THE CHRISTMAS FESTIVITY

## Notable Events in the Church Vestries—Many Poor Families Made Happy

There is no doubt that the Christmas festival was enjoyed as fully by the poor of Lowell as by those of any other city in the country. The splendid efforts of various charitable organizations including church fraternities, the Elks, the Salvation Army, the Humane Society, the Lowell Guild, the local firemen and several individuals who dispensed charity quite freely, proved effective in bringing joy to the hearts of thousands who would otherwise have spent the Christmas in gloom if not in actual want. Quite a number of stores also contributed to the relief of families whom they now to be in need. Altogether the combined efforts of the charitable inclined was never more successful in reaching every individual in need of aid.

The inmates of the institutions, the orphanages, hospitals and homes were made to feel that they were not forgotten and that in the great outer world there are many kind friends who think of them and are anxious to have them share the general rejoicing at the Christmas tide.

**St. Peter's Orphanage**  
Christmas morn at St. Peter's orphanage the children sang sweet Christmas music while Santa Claus applied presents for them all. A turkey dinner was served at noon and in the afternoon there was an entertainment by the children.

**County Jail**  
Roast pork was the pièce de résistance.

**AFTER GRIPPE**

**Viol Restored Mr. Martin's Strength**  
Wapawagon, Ohio.—I am a farmer by occupation, and the gripe left me with a bad cough and in a nervous, run-down condition, and I could not seem to get anything to do me any good until I took Viol which built me up, and my cough and nervousness are all gone, and I can truly say Viol is all that is claimed for it.

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At 8:30 o'clock, the children's mass was held by Rev. James T. McElmott, O. M. I., with the singing of Christmas carols by the school children. Special music was given at the 9:30 o'clock mass, with Mrs. A. Curry at the organ and Miss Catherine Sharkey sustaining the solos.

Previous to the high mass there was a procession through the aisles of the church, these participating singing hymns, "Twas in the winter cold" and "Angels from the realms of glory." Rev. T. Franklin Wood, O. M. I., was celebrant of the mass, assisted by Fr. Burns and Fletcher as deacon and sub deacon. The mass was one of Gauchon's, the responses being sung by the sanctuary choir. At the offertory Mr. John McElmott sang "Noli Solitari" and the other soloists were Mrs. Mary Monroe Mooney, Miss Ben-

jamin at the organ, Christmas day. The inmates were given the freedom of the corridors and among the things provided by Sheriff Evelyn was a phonograph entertainment.

**At Swedish Church**  
The Swedish Congregational church in London Street was the scene last evening of a joyous Christmas festival. Two large Christmas trees were laden with gifts. The church windows were lighted with candles. The concert program was as follows:  
"Most Beautiful Day," Astrid Bengtson; "Now is Christmas Again," Paul Swenson; "Peace on Earth," Henry Anderson; "A Child is With Us," Jennie Anderson; "A Child's Wishes," Amy Peterson; "Unfold in the Home," Paul Bengtson; "Glory of Heaven is Manifest," Clifford Paul; "The Redeemed World," Clifford Anderson; "I'm Praying," Ernest Anderson; "I'm," Paul Peterson; "Christmas Hells," Alfred Bengtson; "Now the Christmas Balls Sound," Emma Peterson and Alfred Bengtson; "Come Jesus," Albert Peterson; "My Evening Prayer," Ruth Elgen; "The First Christian," Anna Anderson; "Lord Our Highness," Ivan Bengtson; "Bethlehem," Bengtson Peterson; "Now is Christmas," Alfred Anderson; "Jesus," Eva Peterson; "The King," Bengtson Peterson; "The World Love," Bengtson Peterson; "The Holy Night," Constance Olson; "The Bird's Lullaby," Evelyn Anderson; "Christmas Eve," Harold Anderson; "Yule Tree," Sally Anderson; "Kindly Light," Edie Paul; "In the Shepherd's Path," George Paul; "Let the Light Be Burned," Milton Anderson. There was a congregational singing with prayer, a short address and benediction by the pastor, Rev. John Elmen.

**Highland Congregational**  
Santa Claus did not forget to call at the Highland Congregational church Christmas night. A fireplace and two big Christmas trees caught his eye and he proceeded to load the trees down with presents. A pleasing program was given by Mrs. Belle Dickinson Hall, reader, and Miss Cecelia McPherson, singer, Miss Christine McPherson, violinist, accompanied the latter.

**Palmer Street Church**  
At the Palmer Street Baptist church two Christmas trees were loaded in the hall with gifts for members of the Sunday school. The distribution of gifts was preceded by a short entertainment given by the younger members of the school. There was a little box on the tree for the pastor, Rev. B. R. Harris and it contained \$5 gold pieces, the gift of members of the church and Sunday school.

Miss Doris Brown played several piano selections and there were readings by Miss Orpha Hutchinson. An amusing little sketch, "The Country School Christmas Crazy Chase" was presented by the young people. Those taking part were: Teacher, Miss Blanche Jilly; the pupils, Misses Bertha and Mildred Lilly, Miss Helen Thibault, Benjamin Harris, Ralph Smith and Cecil Chase. Following the sketch, the gifts were distributed. Walter Chase and Leon Brown being the two Santa Clauses.

**The Pawtucket Church**  
Christmas tree exercises were held Christmas afternoon in the social rooms of the Pawtucket Congregational church. Preceding the distribution of gifts, Miss Florence Miller gave a series of readings and cards illustrated with tabernacles by the boys and girls of the school. Mrs. George Tanner was accompanist. The large Christmas tree well laden with gifts for the pupils of the school, was prettily decorated. Superintendent George R. Tanner assisted by a group of pupils distributed the gifts.

A pleasing feature of the exercises was the presentation by the pastor, Rev. W. C. Alger for the Sunday school pupils, of a silver loving cup to the superintendent. Brooch pins were also presented to Mrs. George R. Tanner and Miss Eleanor Leclaire as tokens of appreciation of their services to the school.

**Westminster Church**  
At the Westminster church gifts were distributed from a beautifully decorated Christmas tree. The program by the Sunday school was as follows:  
Recitation, "Christmas Welcome," Nettie Wallace; recitation, "We Welcome You," Marie Morris; recitation, "Roland Watts," Harold Blackie and Truett McDonald; song, "Merry Merry Christmas," school; recitation, "The Sweetest Name," Jean McDonald; recitation, "On Christmas," Emma Fulton; recitation, "What the Holly Says," Bessie Johnston; recitation, "Ten Days Till Christmas," Florence Holman; recitation, "Blessings and Christmas," Blanche and Christine McDonald; recitation, "Rehearsal," Blanche; recitation, "The Name," Alice; recitation, "Polonia," McKenzie; song, "Christmas Joybells," school; recitation, "The Little Outcast," Eleanor McDonald; recitation, "Stars in the Christmas Sky," Irene McKenzie; recitation, "Stars of Bethlehem," Christine McDonald; song, "A Shout of Gladness," school; recitation, "The Happy Way," Madeline McDonald; recitation, "The Stars of the Stars," Violet Watts; Miss Flora Common was the accompanist and the committee in charge consisted of Misses Anna Hargart and Ada Penny and Douglas McKinley.

**St. Margaret's Church**  
The altar in St. Margaret's church was exquisitely decorated in honor of the holiday, the representation of the crib being in position on the epistle side altar. Messrs were sung at 7:30, 8 and 10:15, the last being a triple mass celebrated by Rev. C. J. Sullivan, pastor. A feature of the music was the "Ave Maria" sung by Miss Catherine V. Hennessey at the offertory. The sermon on the significance of the scene in Bethlehem was given by Fr. Galligan. In the evening vespers soloists were sung with a large congregation in attendance.

**St. Columba's**  
The high mass at St. Columba's church was sung by Rev. Thomas W. Buckley, who also presided at the organ. The altar was prettily decorated and the music which was unusually attractive was given under the direction of Miss Catherine Wholey.

**St. Joseph's**  
The feast of the Nativity was observed in a fitting manner at St. Joseph's church yesterday, a solemn high mass being celebrated in the morning and solemn vespers in the evening. The church was elaborately decorated with laurels and evergreen, while the altar presented a very brilliant appearance with its many incandescent lights and tapers, while flowers and potted plants were much in evidence. The crib, which had been placed within the sanctuary rail reflected much credit upon the sexton of the church, Henri Blanchette, who devoted considerable time in preparing this feature of the Christmas celebration.

The parish mass was celebrated at 10:30 o'clock by Rev. Armand Baron, O. M. I., assisted by Rev. Bro. Joseph Moriarty, O. M. I. and Rev. Bro. Frank Curry, O. M. I. both of Tewksbury, as deacon and sub deacon respectively. The sermon was preached by Rev. L. A. Nolan, O. M. I., who delivered a masterpiece of the gospel of the day. The choir, under the able direction of Telephore Malo, rendered Kalliwoda's mass, and that part of the program was carried out in a most efficient manner. The soloists of the mass were Misses Stella Latour, Rose Tausen, Rosa Lacouture, Evelyne Donat, Alice Bonin, A. Veron, Mrs. J. B. D. Jacques, Mrs. Telephore Malo and Messrs. L. J. Z. Robillard, T. M. Brassard, Arthur Lavell, Arthur Giroux, Henri Wellbrenner, Alfred Du-

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## BE PROSPERITY BOOMERS

We have on more than one occasion recently called attention to the injurious effects of a lack of general confidence on all departments of business, and to illustrate the point we need but refer to merchants and manufacturers who decline that for some time past business was not what it should have been though everything pointed to prosperity. In our own city the mills are running at full blast, many of them working overtime. Others have recently received orders that will enable them to start on an unusually active work in the near future. Most of our people are regularly employed and prosperous. How comes it then that the stores complain of stagnation? The war and a fear of its possible consequences have created the illusion that times in this country are going to be bad, when, in reality, there is every reason to expect a contrary state of affairs.

Now that the holiday season is over there will be a natural reaction in some lines of business, but early in the new year this country will in all probability feel the spur of a business revival that shall grow steadily and slowly until we reach the high water mark of national prosperity. Unless all auguries fail, we will reap the gain of others' loss. As yet the war has not laid its paralyzing hand on all countries, but life must adjust itself to conditions and must go on as best it may. In the southern half of this continent are millions of leaders who have until the last few months been supplied with the products of Germany, France and England. War broke out and their source of supply was either partially or entirely wiped out. Though they may get along for a little while they must very soon look to other sources for the necessities of life and for the modern manufactures that are necessary to carry on the tasks of existence. We are the only nation where the barrier of war does not in some way interfere with the normal relations of commerce and to us must come much of the patronage hitherto enjoyed by the belligerent nations of Europe.

This question is a practical one, removed from abstract discussion. The myriads of South America, of the Orient and of other sections of the globe must soon turn to this country for clothing, for shoes, for machinery, for food, for most of the natural and manufactured products that are absolutely necessary to their existence. When they do, the shoe shops of Lowell, the mills of Lowell, the machine shops of Lowell, practically all the factories of Lowell will fall in for a share of the orders. We have this on the word of people men of business who are not swayed by emotion or sentiment and who are more apt to look on the conservative side than on the side of optimism. Heads of the great manufacturing corporations of this country, political leaders in all parties, trade journals noted for their accuracy, influential papers in all parts of the country, chambers of commerce and other civic bodies everywhere join in predicting unusual prosperity and warning America to be ready for it when it comes so that opportunity will not turn disappointed from our door.

In order that we may fully enjoy the blessings of industrial prosperity, it is most essential that our own people put aside the needless fears which have been apparent for some time past and that they shall face the immediate future with confidence. Needless hearing of money makes business bad and engenders an artificial feeling of uncertainty. There is absolutely no need for this and everyone who has the interest of our country at heart will strive to banish the temporary clouds and let the sunshine of business activity shine in. Be then a business boomer. Argue with the occasional prophet of disaster and show him how unwise and how illogical his position is. Do not squander your money but spend it in a normal fashion, paying your debts and buying what you need as in days before the war. Prosperity is surely coming our way and you just put your shoulder to the wheel and help it along.

## DETROIT'S WAY

A few days ago The Sun called the attention of its readers to a suggestion made by the Boston Herald for the relief of genuine unemployment, to wit: that certain large municipal undertakings be set on foot at times of private business depression. Now news comes to hand of the manner in which this policy is being handled in Detroit—a city by the way which has had more than its share of unemployment for some time past. In that city the commerce board has used its influence to provide work for the unemployed by advocating the commencement of certain large contracts that ordinarily would not have been started until spring. The suggestion was followed with commendable promptness. The same policy has been adopted with regard to some jobs of lesser importance. As a result hundreds can live without recourse to charity and the normal life of the city will not be affected in the least. With the dawn of general prosperity in the spring, Detroit will not suffer for having started its municipal tasks early. Rather will it be to the city's advantage to have adopted the various reforms.

This is a change in municipal administration that seems destined to greater development as the years advance. In all cities the difficulties in the way of starting municipal undertakings early are mostly financial, as there are many tasks of a large nature which may be carried out in late winter as well as in summer. Even in a prosperous year business slows up at this season to some extent and there is more compulsory unemployment than at any other time. It is a period, too, when the tasks of daily existence fall most heavily on the average worker. To provide the family with food and clothing and to keep them comfortable and healthy is no light task. Would it not then be worth while for our authorities to see if some municipal undertakings could not be arranged so as to offer employment to many at a time of distressing dullness?

Private concerns, too, may advantageously strain a point to start activity this year a little earlier than usual. In the building trade and many other lines of business it is usual to await the warm weather before starting the actual work of the busy season. In cases where contracts have been settled and work laid out in advance it is often possible to get things going a little early and this should be done next year if possible. To tide over labor to the bright time just ahead would be an economic as well as a humanitarian triumph. The real obstruction to municipal activity at this time is usually finan-

cial shortage, but this condition is remediable. The Sun has advocated the planning of street work, for instance, for more than one season in advance and the same idea has been put in force by our board of trade. If petty politics and selfish interests were put aside in discussing questions such as this the result would be far more satisfactory than at present. Even though at present we can but admire the superior progressiveness of cities such as Detroit, let us hope for the dawn of a time when better business and a broader outlook directs our own municipal administration.

## A CITY MANAGER

When a year or so ago, the city manager idea was at first tried in this section there was a great deal of discussion in the press, discussion which died down eventually. That the movement bore fruit, however, is eloquently attested to by the fact that twenty-two important American cities have a city manager; many other cities are seriously considering the adoption of the suggestion. At the recent conference of city managers in Springfield, O., Henry M. Waite, city manager of Dayton, summed up the main requirements of a city manager as follows:

A city manager should have at least a fair education, sufficient theory, but not too much in overbalance. He must be an executive. He must know how to handle men. He must be fair and just. He must have the courage of his convictions. Any man with these qualifications can be a city manager. Such a man can select subordinates and advisors to aid him in carrying out the functions of those departments with which he is not familiar in detail.

Continuing, Mr. Waite said that the city manager may get efficient administration from his departments by organization, an impossible achievement.

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under the old forms of government and not wholly possible under most commission forms. He suggested the hiring of a manager from out of town who is not apt to be swayed by selfish considerations or the local play of party politics, and he also advocated persistent publicity as a remedy for most of the ills which misgoverned cities are heir to. Lowell can appoint another of his suggestions which is that a change for the sake of change must be discouraged, as being contrary to the best interests of the people.

Speaking of the city manager plan in a recent editorial the Springfield Union said:

The least that is to be said for the city manager plan is that it is significant of a widespread desire to curb municipal extravagance, cut out graft and favoritism and establish cities upon some such basis of efficiency as has been exemplified by the thoroughly-going business corporation. As such the adoption for a better form is a most wholesome and encouraging development.

While not advocating the exact form of the city manager plan as it is being tried elsewhere, it is a matter for rejoicing that its spirit is being more and more sanctioned in Lowell. Anything that tends to genuine economy and efficiency is as welcome here as it is anywhere.

## THE AMERICAN POLE

A little innocent amusement has been treated in some quarters by the efforts of Representative Smith of Buffalo to get congress by joint resolution to annex the North pole and its environs. That we may do this is properly is undoubted and that we ought to do so is also evident. What though the North pole may be an imaginary territorial quantity? It is the pole for which mankind searched vainly until our own Peary tracked the frozen wastes and dispelled another mystery of the globe. That there will ever be any international complications about the ownership of the pole is most unlikely but nevertheless the action of congress would show the entire world that the achievement of Peary is not regarded lightly by the nation which has shared in the glory of his exploit. It has been asserted by our critics that America does some splendid things through impulse but that it is apt to forget its benefactors. To annex the North pole would prove that we have not forgotten that newly-acquired territory—whatever it is to be said for our treatment of the discoverer.

## CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION

The Engineering Record in a review of the recent fire in the Edison plant at Orange, N. J., finds that the statements as to the destruction of concrete buildings must be modified considerably. After a careful examination of the wrecked plant it finds that concrete has stood the test and vindicated the claims made for it. Seven concrete buildings that were attacked by the flames still stand while near by are the tangled remains of one frame building and six brick buildings. The chief reasons for the great extent of the disaster, according to the Record, were the highly inflammable character of the contents of the buildings, the inadequacy of the water supply, lack of fire walls and the absence of automatic sprinklers. There is much in this report to direct those who may be considering the erection of a modern fireproof building. Taken all in all, it is a commendation of the type of construction of which the Sun

## COLDS ARE OFTEN MOST SERIOUS STOP POSSIBLE COMPLICATIONS

The disregard of a cold has often brought many a regret. The fact of sneezing, coughing, or a fever should be warning enough that your system needs immediate attention. Certainly loss of sleep is most serious. It is a warning given by Nature. It is your duty to yourself to assist by doing his part. Dr. King's New Discovery is based on a scientific analysis of colds. Get at your drugist. Buy a bottle today.

## Town of Tewksbury NOTICE

All persons having accounts against the town should have the same in the hands of the selectmen for approval on or before December 31, 1914.

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## A GREAT HOLIDAY

If the war in Europe cast a little gloom over our enjoyment of Christmas it also in a measure added to our feeling of spirituality, for the contrast between the old and the new world waked the springs of gratitude in many a heart that is not often thrilled by holy impulses. In some quarters there might have been a gloom born of sad recollections, but in most cases our people gave themselves over to the splendid spirit of the time.

The municipal celebration brought joy to many and so did the other public or semi-public affairs, but the real holiday spirit was manifested in the large congregations that thronged the churches and in the happy home circles. It was again, as it has always been, the day of all days, full of genuine sentiment and good cheer. May it dawn next year on a world free from the sorrows of a fratricidal war!

Remember the old-fashioned Christmas cards with the white-roofed houses, the trees like tents, the light-

ed window-pane with its wreath of holly and scarlet ribbon, the little bird in the snow and the diamonds glitter over everything? Now, wasn't it just like it?

Governor Walsh certainly gave some straight truths the other day in his little heart to heart talk before the Congregational ministers of Boston. Even his most bitter political opponent will admit on reading it that it got under the skin. If those who differ from him were to reveal their true sentiments in the same manly fashion, much of their animosity could be laid down to petty party politics.

And many a sad-eyed little fellow in Europe wished that Santa Claus would bring his papa back and it nearly broke old Santa's heart to refuse.

Poor old 1914 totters along on his last legs. Doctors do not hope for more than another week. Get ready to welcome the Crown Prince 1915.

Now, honest, did you forget the war yesterday?

A time of toys and trouble.

## SEEN AND HEARD

Some men are so worried over the European situation that they can't hold their own.

The men who have to run errands for other men to earn a living are doing it because they would rather use their feet than their hands.

**LIVING IN DEEDS**  
An illustration of "We live in deeds, not years," occurred when a schoolboy, not far from Boston, surprised his teacher when she said:  
"Tobacco, you may tell me when the days are longest."  
"When we have to carry coal instead of going skating," replied the pseudo-philosopher.

**HARNESS RACING REVIVAL**  
Followers of harness racing are optimistic in regard to the future of the sport in the Old Bay state. An exceptionally fast half mile track is being built at Springfield in connection with the new \$150,000 fair grounds. Other indications of a revival of harness racing are the building of new tracks at Holyoke and Fitchburg, dedicated recently, and plans made for a new track at Lowell, and another between Fall River and New Bedford.

**WELL, WHAT TIE?**  
There is a colored preacher in Mobile.

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wild." The wind caught the words, and here they died away on the midnight sky. While Saint Nicholas flew through the air, bringing "peace and goodwill" with him everywhere.

—Sarah Kobbles Hunt.

## EDITORIAL COMMENT

### BREATHE IT LOW

The Springfield Republican suspects that "many of the men who assailed yesterday then hurried out to catch a train." Merely different in point of time from what Mark Twain observed long ago, "that whiskey goes into committee rooms in demagogues and comes out in demagogues."—Worcester Post.

### THE FRANK MURDER TRIAL

Collier's Weekly is now engaged in a publicity campaign to prove that Leo Frank has been wrongfully convicted of the murder of Mary Phagan in Atlanta, a crime which started the city and the entire south. The attorney sent by Collier's to the Frank trial was a long and honorably experienced in his profession and his findings are entitled to the most serious consideration. He picks to pieces the government's evidence against Frank and to an unprejudiced mind makes out a strong case. That it was impossible for a Frank to get a fair trial in a city seething with a desire that he be offered up as a sacrifice, is quite plainly shown by the series of articles written by the Collier representative, and for this and other reasons it is to be hoped that the case will finally get to a higher tribunal.

### POST OFFICE BUSINESS

The post office is doing the biggest business in its history due, of course, to the use of the parcel post which now probably does 75 per cent. of the Christmas business formerly handled by the express companies. In comparing the present and past business of the post office it must be borne in mind that the amount of business done in the lines covered before the parcel post was established. Also in estimating the profit and loss, allowance must be made for the fact that the railroads are carrying a large portion of the new parcels, freight without pay or at least without any more pay than they got before the parcel post became such a factor in the transportation business of the post office department. —Herkshire Eagle.

### WHAT FRANCE WANTS

In his statement before the French chamber of deputies Premier Viviani laid down the conditions on which his government would accept peace. They are: Return of Alsace-Lorraine to France; restoration of Belgian territory and full indemnity for the losses she has sustained since the crushing of Prussian militarism. —Worcester Gazette.

### THE ITALIAN STATES

Bulgaria has given the Italian powers definite assurances of its intention to maintain strict neutrality in the war now raging. On the strength of this assurance the Italian powers, Great Britain, France and Russia, have given guarantees to both Athens and Belgrade that Bulgaria will not attack Greece or the latter country, the latter country going to the help of the former ally, Serbia, in its contest against Austria. Rumania also has been guaranteed immunity from an attack by Bulgaria in case it should enter the war. This



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Is taken to foreshadow the approaching participation of Rumania in Greece in the conflict.—Fall River News.

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## WHAT THE FRENCH MAID SAID

### A NEW DECORATION

"I was just reading about the increasing use of Japanese cloths for curtains, couch covers and lots of things," said Marjorie as she entered with an open magazine in her hand. "Do you know anything about them?"  
"Why yes, something," answered the French maid. "I have used quite a number of such stuffs in redecorating madame's boudoir and it certainly makes a room very charming."  
"Doubtless you know," continued Marjorie. "The blue and white cotton material, sold by the yard, with which Japanese are keeping us supplied. Well, as you also know, it has been used for numerous things but extremely attractive and pleasing. If one is careful to select a pattern suitable for the size of the room. But I was thinking of a very attractive panel I saw in a blue and white dining room. It was the only decoration the room boasted, with the exception of the pale rug which contained Canton china painted in the same wonderful tones of blue. The pattern of this panel was that of wild ducks, flying over a stream in which were the usual number of rushes and posts. It was framed in black."  
"This was the way it was done. First the material was mounted on a piece of cardboard. Library paste will hold it securely—then it was framed and glazed as one would treat an ordinary picture. It was very effectively hung between two windows, which were curtained. Another pattern of the same cotton material."  
"I must certainly have a Japanese panel," excitedly returned Marjorie. "Your description makes me almost see our dining room with two such panels in it. There are spaces where they will just fit. I am sure, and must go and look over the goods in my favorite Japanese shop at once."

### MARIE TELLS HOW TO FURNISH A DESK

"Oh Marie, father has just had sent to the house a big desk and it is beautiful, but of course looks rather plain without anything on it. I thought perhaps you would help me in selecting the desk fittings."  
"Surely I will," answered Marie. "Now what type is the desk?"  
"Why I should say it was sort of a Dutch style," said Marjorie. "Well now let me see," mused Marie. "Suitable fittings for the big round table-top of Dutch type are in cream-colored wood painted with figures of people in various array. Both sides of the handle and the blade of a rather ponderous-looking paper knife are decorated with little black shoes and flat white caps, playing tag."  
"Yes and what else," impatiently queried Marjorie as she jotted down the information almost faster than Marie could give it.  
"The handles of the long shears are painted with figures of scolding housewives and village gossip, the Rip Van Winkle sort," continued Marie. "And there are stands for holding ink and mullage bottles decorated with Dutch serbes or public letter writers. But most fascinating of all are the writing boxes with pictures of babies in arms. All of them wearing garments of brightest tones."  
"How shall I clean the desk fittings, I don't want to spoil their beautiful decorations," asked Marjorie.  
"The wood used for these novel desk fittings is too hard to split or break or, worn easily, and as its surface is thickly coated with varnish the various pieces may be wiped with a damp cloth without risk of injury to their decorations," said Marie.  
"You are such a help Marie," said Marjorie gratefully in departing. "I am sure the desk will look very beautiful when we have it all furnished."

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## HUB FIREMAN KILLED IN FALL DOWN SLIDING POLE

BOSTON, Dec. 25.—Just a few hours after an escape from death in the collapse of a roof at the Pearl street fire Thursday night, Hoseman Thomas W. Devney fell down the sliding pole during a dizzy spell in the fire house on Congress street and was killed almost instantly.

It is believed that his work during the three-alarm fire brought on a spell of nausea and sickness which led to his fatal tumble early yesterday morning.

He was one of 17 men who nearly lost their lives when the roof crashed through during the spectacular fire, and the shock of that experience, combined with the intense smoke and heat which he braved, is thought to have caused the fainting spell.

Devney turned into his bunk at the fire house dormitory shortly after midnight. He was utterly exhausted, having twice climbed an 8-foot ladder at the fire with a roll of hose while heavy smoke belched in his face.

About 2.30 a. m. the hoseman on guard, John A. Harrington, heard a crash in front of the stalls. Hearing groans, he hurried to the sliding pole

and found Devney lying at the foot. First aid was given and a pulmonologist from the Edison plant nearby was used to keep the spark of life alive.

Before doctors could arrive he died. All plans for a Christmas celebration at the fire house were abandoned and the 20 men attached to the company were sent to sleep at the fire house. The comrades who had fought shoulder to shoulder with them when they had been cut off by flames at the fire a few hours before.

"Tom," as he was known to his comrades, was one of the most popular members of the department. He lived with his invalid mother at 17 Hill street, Jamaica Plain. The first news of his death was made public at the 3 o'clock mass in St. Thomas church, Jamaica Plain, where it has been the custom for years to read the names of the parishioners who died during the year.

The Rev. Fr. Mark Madden had just read the name Peter Devney, the young hoseman's father, when Mr. Morarty came from the sacristy and announced that another name was to be added to the roll on Christmas morning. He then read the name of Thomas Devney.

## GERMANS DEFEATED BY RUSSIANS IN POLAND

PETROGRAD, Dec. 25, via London, Dec. 24, 1914. a. m.—The following official bulletin was issued from general headquarters last night:

"There has been no change on the left bank of the Vistula or in Galicia. The Germans delivered attacks on the day and night of Dec. 24, principally in the districts of Soboczw and Bialow, but all were repulsed with great loss to the enemy.

"Fighting continues on the banks of the Pilica."

Russian successes have been reported officially from the battle front between Wezaw and from that around Cracow, but without materially changing the general situation in these regions. Especially vicious attacks have been made by the Germans between Pleszew, 40 miles northeast of Cracow, and Nowosielce Korczyn, at the junction of the Meka and Vistula rivers.

In this place the Austrians initiated

the tactics of the Germans and tried to force a passage of sheer weight of numbers. Time after time they advanced in solid formation against the Russian front in the face of heavy artillery fire. The result after two days of fighting—Dec. 22 and 23—was the capture by the Russians of nearly 5000 prisoners, including half a hundred officers, and the retention by the Russians of the left bank of the Nida, where they are strongly entrenched.

The combatants here are old emigrants. Three months ago the same Austrians troops opposed the first Russian advance on Cracow.

To the north the Russians are holding their own and are inflicting severe punishment on the Germans.

Hitler's army in battle, but escaped. Allies make slight gains in front of Neufort, Belgium.

French capture part of village of La Boisselle near Albert, and a wood near Meant-le-Hurlus, and gain at more British trenches.

Luxemburg, held by Germans, has asked Swiss to propose separate peace to France, it is reported.

Russians hold their ground and inflict severe loss on attacking Germans 80 miles from Warsaw.

Turkish official statement announces a decisive victory over Russians on border of Transcaucasia.

Japanese diet dissolved by emperor for refusing to sanction increase of army.

Dr. Liebknecht, socialist, who protested in Reichstag against the war has been put into the army instead of being tried for treason.

## HELD FOR MURDER OF LAWRENCE JEWELL

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—The fourth arrest in the Wakefield murder mystery was made last night when state detectives decided that Ignazio Morello of 35 Columbia road, whom they had been grilling for hours, had some connection with the brutal stabbing and burial of Matthew Albertson, the Lawrence Jewell.

Morello will appear in court today on the charge of murder. All others arrested in the case have been found to be innocent parties to the plot that lured the Jewell to his death and still under surveillance. The alleged leader of the supposed gang that killed Albertson is still at large.

He is said to be Giorgio Farzone, a reputed gunman. Wakefield selection will hold an informal meeting today to consider offering a reward for his arrest. In the meantime police officials will be sent broadcast, giving a description of the alleged murderer.

Every effort will be made to capture Farzone. The state police believe him to be the brains and leader of the

crime that has shocked Wakefield and other cities. They stated that no other man contributed to the plotting and stabbing of the murder victim because of Albertson's size and known strength.

With the arrest of Morello they are confident that one of the gang is in their hands. They are especially anxious, however, to get Farzone, whom they charge with instigating and directing the murder and robbery. He had disappeared from Wakefield and although the search for him was extended to Boston and other neighboring cities where he is known to have friends, no clues were found to a late hour last night.

More than a score of men were brought to the town hall yesterday and quizzed by State Inspector Smith. None of them was very communicative, but with the exception of Morello, nothing could be learned which to hold them. The police won't state what facts led to the charge of murder against their latest arrest.

### THEY DO SAY

That business is picking up.

That a young reporter of this city will join the bandits on Jan. 1.

That everyone sympathizes with the postman during the Christmas season.

That the bad walking did not seem to keep the shoppers at home.

That there'll be no fat Kirkyard after the Christmas past.

That Humphrey's hope on coming prosperity proved to be prophetic.

That Col. Carmichael has the wrong dope on annexation.

That "Jill" will spend New Year's in Quebec. There is a reason.

That many little toys were made happy yesterday.

That next week will be a good time to buy presents for next Christmas.

That when women get the vote there will be a slump in feminine oratory.

That the man who pays his bills promptly helps business along.

That the Lowell treasury is like the talk of early peace; nothing in it.

That there are several liquor licenses for sale in Lowell.

That the smile of one loser in the Sun building is as cheery as ever.

That sometimes when doctors disagree there's a — of a rumip.

That the city planning board is beginning to show some signs of life.

That the postal card is a sweet little reminder of friendly undertones.

That the municipal council may be known as the automobile jockeys.

That many a poor family's Christmas was made happy by the B. P. O. E.

That the South End's New Year's party will be some event.

That a city hall attack is slated for supervisor of elections. A new graft.

That patients at the best of us sometimes wonder to be a virtue.

That all of the mills having big foreign orders have not told about it.

That Col. Carmichael is not very popular in Draught.

That say what you will there's no place like the old home at Christmas.

That one of the blundering girls gave the squawking a Christmas dinner of an sometimes easier to be a virtue.

That the "dancer" next Tuesday evening will be a brilliant affair.

That Lawyer John "Harris" Flaherty ought to make a capable toastmaster.

That Bill Linton is treating his friends to 7-20-4 cigars.

That Tom Brosnan's home from college looking like a picture of wealth.

That Jack Toner makes a most acceptable floor director.

That Frank McCurtin says it's a shortstop and not a first baseman.

That the Warren club will celebrate the New Year fitly.

That P. O'Connell showed J. O'Connell how to play with the other night.

That the Germans and Russians continue to see-saw around Warsaw.

That many visitors and former residents were in town for the holidays.

That Santa came and went and now everybody's happy and broke.

That "Cap" has not as yet come across with those cigars.

That another newspaper man joined the bandits this week.

That grandpa danced the tango, the fox trot and maxine and they stayed in his little bed for 21 weeks.

That the South End club will usher in the New Year with a jolly good time.

That the annual party of the telephone clerks will take place on the eve of January 1.

That the officers of the Humane society are busy caring for the poor horses these days.

That several young men attempted to visit the telephone operators Thursday night but none was successful.

That the Christmas tree celebration at the county training school in North Chatham was a merry event.

That persons who did their Christmas shopping early had the better of the weather man this year.

That more than one clever girl has taken an old card from the attic to make over into the latest style.

That he who loves his fellow man is he who takes out a few successful ashes in the wee wee hours.

That a walk on the icy sidewalks before the sand man gets around is an excellent exercise cure.

That if some people had their way Lowell would still be a part of Cheshamford.

That the genial countenance of "Joe" Smith looks familiar at the door of the Opera House.

That many a new star has appeared in the land as the result of a visit from Santa Claus.

That there will be a more general observance of New Year's eve in this city this year than ever before.

That police officers are scarce in certain districts of the city after midnight.

That the pastor of St. Peter's church was well remembered by the children of the parish.

That the next Christmas celebration

### FEATURES OF LAST NIGHT'S EUROPEAN NEWS IN BRIEF FORM

German aeroplane reaches Sheerness, 34 miles from London; machine hit by

force by the police of Draught.

That the engagement of the new president of the C. M. A. C. is announced; the ceremony to be performed on Jan. 1.

That St. Jean Baptiste church when completed will be one of the finest Catholic churches in this part of the

That when the international disputes are all settled, two will still be

That those who charge cold listening to the medicine men need not charge the medicine

That a man in Centralville boasts of having gone fishing through the ice last year.

That the spectre of poverty, like Banquo's ghost, was on deck at the

That the residents of Kenwood and Brookside are hotter than ever for an

That while should park may be a rather unsightly and neglected spot

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### DEATHS

LABONTE—Louis Labonte, father of

WINSLOW—William A. Winslow died

TRINOR—Mrs. Catherine E. Trainor

BOURQUE—John Bourque, aged 49

DENNETT—Edmund Dennett died

COOPER—James W. Cooper died

O'KEEFE—Thomas O'Keefe, died

CALLAN—Charles Callan, a former

Funeral notices

Funeral of Charles Callan

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### BIGGEST WOMAN ALIVE

Also the Smallest Found Here in Lowell — Mrs. Ouellette, 680

and Mile. Laferriere, 50 Pounds

While the distinction of being the

long and short of it has been award-

ed by public opinion to that precious

pair of pictorial fame, "Mutt and Jeff,"

the city of Lowell can lay claim to the

distinction of having among its com-

mopolitan population the biggest and

lightest of female humanity, existing

not on paper, but in the flesh.

Madame Flossie Ouellette of 4 Ward

street tips the scales at 680 pounds,

and has just passed the 50th milestone

along life's great highway. Not far

from distant from her home, at 133

Chester street, resides Mile. Anna La-

ferriere, aged 19, whose height is only

32 inches and whose weight is only

50 pounds.

Mrs. Ouellette, who, having an oc-

casional slight attack of rheumatism,

is in perfect health and abundantly

possessed of that good nature which

is the great boon of all fat people, was

born at Ste. Anne des Monts, County

Mass. Quebec. She is one of a fam-

ily of 18 children. Her father who is

still living, weighs 254 pounds,

while her mother weighed 218. All

of the children were extraordinarily

heavy, the smallest, Mrs. Felix Chan-

del, who died in this city 18 years

ago, weighing 212. The boys of the

family were all well established in the

heavyweight class, their average

weight ranging from 200 to 260 pounds.

At the age of 16 years Mrs. Ouel-

lette weighed 230 pounds. In her 21st

year she married Thomas Ouellette,

who with his modest 135 pounds,

looked last beside his buxom bride,

seven children have blessed their

union and of these, one daughter

weighs 210 pounds, but the others are

of ordinary weight.

Mrs. Ouellette is five feet nine in-

ches in height. Her waist measure-

ment is 60 inches, while it requires

24 inches of tape to encircle her arm.

She is a moderate eater and attends

to her own household duties.

A few years ago she traveled in the

show business and visited nearly every

state in the union. She received offer-

ing offers to go abroad, but pre-

ferred to remain within reaching dis-

tance of her children. Last summer

she started on a tour of the New

England states with the Laferriere

family, who were filling in a book

of the city of Lowell, and she subse-

quently went to Chicago, where she

remained until the close of the sum-

mer season. She states that she will

travel to more, but will remain at her

home in this city where she is com-

fortably located. She tells many in-

teresting stories of her experiences on

the road and one of the most amus-

ing occurred while she was filling an en-

gagement at the Stone theatre in Bos-

ton. The entrance to the stage was

very narrow, and Madame Ouellette



# U. S. Warship Halts Attack by Turks

## CIVIL SERVICE SPEAKS OF WRONG EMPLOYMENT

State Authorities Make Examination of Payrolls—Another  
Patrolman Suspended

Warren P. Dudley, secretary of the civil service commission, has informed Commissioner James H. Carmichael, by letter, that certain ones of his department are illegally employed. The letter reads:

To the Water Board, Lowell, Mass.

Dear Sir: An examination of the payrolls of your department shows the following apparent illegal employments:

James Dwyer, engineer.  
Maurice J. Quinn, foreman.  
Donald J. Sullivan, foreman.  
Clifton L. Rice, supervising engineer.  
Arthur S. Coburn, concrete mixer.  
William T. Shore, clerk.

Please inform the civil service commission at your earliest convenience in writing as to your authority for and the circumstances of each of the above named. In the case of James Dwyer and Maurice J. Quinn, please also state what grade of engineer's license, state whether first, second or third class, they are required to hold.

Very respectfully,  
Warren P. Dudley,  
Secretary.

Mr. Crowley was appointed a call-man in May, 1908, and it does not appear that he is eligible for appointment under the act above mentioned.

Very respectfully,  
Warren P. Dudley, Secretary.

Mr. Crowley was originally appointed by ex-Alderman Barrett and Mr. Carmichael will explain that he appointed Mr. Crowley to the permanent force under the acts of 1913.

Patrolman on Carpet

Patrolman Michael Rourke is alleged to have given rule 19 a pucker in the ribs and he will have to answer to his superiors. The patrolman is said to have failed ringing in his calls. The complaint came from Supt. Welch and Mayor Murphy has appointed a trial board to hear the evidence. The trial board consists of Lieut. Brosnan, Lieut. Maher and Sergt. Petrie. The case will be heard Monday evening. Meantime he stands suspended.

## \$125,000 LOSS CAUSED BY FIRE IN CHELSEA

Lumber Plant Swept by Fire Today—  
Chelsea, Boston and Everett Fire  
Departments Prevented the Flames  
From Sweeping Across the City

CHELSEA, Dec. 26.—The lumber plant of Pope & Cottle on Carter st., adjoining the main line of the eastern division of the Boston & Maine railroad, was swept by fire today with a loss of \$125,000. The local fire department, aided by firemen from Boston and Everett, prevented the flames from sweeping across the city, although a stiff northwest wind prevailed. The fire cleaned out a hundred-foot brick building, the business offices, stables and lumber piles of Pope & Cottle, destroyed two steam cranes belonging to the railroad and damaged a small building of the Atwood & McManus box factory adjoining. The Pope & Cottle firm escaped the conflagration of 1908 only by suffering a heavy fire loss a few months later.

Firemen Injured

The fire blocked all traffic between Lynn and Boston over the main line of the eastern division of the Boston & Maine railroad and through trains

## GERMANS WERE HURLED BACK BEFORE WARSAW

Russians Win Advantage at Cracow—Russia Has Ceded Land to Japan—French Progressing

Although stating that further progress has been made, today's communication from the French war office lays chief emphasis on the repeated attacks by the Germans who apparently have undertaken a series of vigorous onslaughts in response to the offensive movements of the allies. Some of these German attacks extended over considerable ground, involving large bodies of troops, but the assertion is made that all were checked. Perceptible progress in Alsace is claimed by the French.

Reviewing conditions in the east, the French war office asserts that the Germans have been thrust back along the line before Warsaw and that in the fighting in the region of Cracow the Russians have won the advantage.

The Japanese embassy at Washington gave confirmation to last night's report from the official press bureau in Berlin that Russia had ceded to Japan the northern half of the island of Sakhalin directly north of Japan in return for some heavy guns. The southern half of this island, formerly Russian was ceded to Japan after the Russo-Japanese war.

towards Warsaw from Thorn, northwest of the Polish capital and in the province of West Prussia.

On the western battle line Paris reports slight progress from Nicopol, while Berlin balances this with the claim that some British trenches have been taken. The French on their side again claim the capture of a trench near Palselme which they held in spite of several counterattacks.

From Athens comes an incomplete report of the refusal of the Turkish authorities to permit the departure from Tripoli of the British, French and American consuls and a number of British and French citizens on American merchantships under convoy of an American cruiser. This refusal is said to have resulted in an attack by a Turkish crowd on the crew of the merchantman while the sailors were embarking some Frenchmen. This attack caused, however, when the warship threatened a bombardment. The cruisers subsequently escorted his vessel to Dedagach, north of the Dardanelles in Turkey.

## HELD IN \$5000

Mike Malic is Charged  
With Killing Gojic  
Sowa at Chicopee

CHICOPÉE, Dec. 26.—Mike Malic, charged with killing Gojic Sowa Thursday noon, was arraigned in police court charged with manslaughter this morning. He pleaded not guilty and was held in \$5000 for a hearing Monday.

## CASES IN POLICE COURT IN WEDDED BLISS

Judge Enright Shows Leniency  
in Several Cases—Man Sentenced for Larceny

A stolen auto tire, the owner of said tire and two of our husky sleuths confronted William Lizotte when he arose from his seat in the police court dock this morning and pleaded not guilty to the charge of larceny. The odds were too heavy against the defendant and he will spend the next three months in a quiet resort on Thorndike street.

Harry Pitts left his machine outside the Elks' building on Middle st. last Tuesday night. When he entered the building a new tire was strapped on the rear of the machine but when he returned the tire had been stolen. The police claimed this morning that Lizotte was the thief and so the court found.

Mr. Pitts identified the tire. The next witness stated that the defendant had come to him and offered the tire for sale. Inspector Walsh then added the last straw to the prosecution's side of the case. Lizotte's story did not hang together and he was sentenced to jail.

An assault and battery case, with the father in the role of defendant while the mother bore the mark of his fist, was centered about the disobedience of a 17-year-old girl. The father did not want the girl chastised even though she did refuse to accede to her mother's instructions and the assault was the direct result.

Dr. J. Donahue and G. F. Tovey argued the pros and cons of the case at some length while six witnesses testified. The man has been before the court over thirty times but has not drank any liquor since last June. The woman has never been arrested but admitted today that she used liquor. The family secrets leaked out quite freely in court.

Judge Enright, after the case had been presented by the lawyers, stated that he held the girl responsible in large measure for the entire trouble. Her disobedience was the primary cause which started the domestic row and which ended in her mother receiving a discolored eye and her father being arrested. The court disposed of the case by putting the defendant under a suspended sentence.

A couple of foreigners, Mike Duker and Joseph Legrowski, tried to raise the price of beer in Lowell on Xmas eve but failed. They did get drunk, however, and after getting drunk, it seems the inebriated pair ran amuck.

At any rate they thought that they could break, enter and steal and get away with it but they evidently labored under false impressions. Mike, which is an assumed name by the way, was caught as he was breaking into a young lady's trunk after he had forced his way into her room, and Joseph was pinched after he had completed a similar job in a room nearby.

Neither of the defendants had much to say in their behalf. The main impression which they wished to convey to the court was the efficacy of our local liquors to deprive a man of his senses. Outside of this, however, they thought they were all right.

Judge Enright couldn't see just how a beer capricious could be taken as an

## CHRISTMAS HAS COME AND GONE WITHOUT A TRUCE AT ANY POINT

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Christmas has come and gone without a truce at any point in the war of nations. While there has been no cessation of military activity, nevertheless, on either of the great battlefronts, a spectacular element of the recent news was supplied by an aerial duel between a German aircraft and two English biplanes over the Thames. This occurred Christmas day and was witnessed by several thousand people. The German aeroplane escaped.

From Petrograd comes news that the Russians have resumed the offensive at several points in Poland and that they have captured no fewer than 11,000 prisoners. To offset this, however, Berlin reports that the Austro-German army is still making a courageous effort to strike down the valley of the Vistula in the direction of the Vistula. British observers are of the opinion that this movement will be too late if it is a fact that the Austro-German attack in the center has really received its reported check.

Gen. Von Hindenburg, the German commander in the east, still keeps his bulldog grip on the Vistula and seems to be making his present movement

## SEC. DANIELS CALLS FOR DETAILS ON REPORTED ATTACK BY TURKS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Sec. Daniels called on Captain Quinn, commanding the armored cruiser No. 6, to report whether threats of violence had been made by Turkey at Tripoli against Americans. Athens dispatches published today said that an American warship had entered a bombardment as a result.

The North Carolina and the Tennessee have gone there from Jaffa after depositing gold. Beirut is about 40 miles south of Tripoli, where the disorders are said to have occurred. One report is that Turkish authorities sought to prevent the departure of American, British and French consuls and the attack on the American crew of a commercial ship and the threat of bombardment of Tripoli by the American man of war followed.

## RUSSIA HAS 355,000 GERMAN PRISONERS, SAYS DESPATCH—WOULD FIGHT AGAINST TURKS

LONDON, Dec. 26.—According to a Petrograd despatch to Reuters' Telegram Co., the number of German prisoners registered in Russia is 114,000 officers and 131,700 men; the number of Austrians registered is 115,000 officers and 221,400 men.

The Slav prisoners have asked for Russian naturalization, so that they may be sent against the Turks.

## THE MEXICAN SITUATION

Consul Silliman Wires Washington Relative to Charge That  
He Accepted Bribe

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—American Consul Silliman at Mexico City telegraphed today that Gen. Palafox, minister of agriculture in the cabinet of Provisional President Gutierrez, had issued a statement charging that he (Silliman), Special Agent Leon Canova silver, cut glass, china, furniture, pictures and all that goes to make up a refined and elegant home. These gifts indicated in some degree the popularity of the young couple and the esteem in which they are held by a wide circle of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Irish, and the officers of the girl's battalion represented the Lowell high school at the mass and later attended the reception.

The ushers at the church and at the house were Messrs. Frank Donovan, Walter Teague, George Tighe and Paul Cahill.

There were many relatives and friends from out of town present including: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Teague of New York City, Mr. and Mrs. John Harland of Buffalo, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. Griffin of Harvard, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. John Conley of Beverly Farms, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Teague of New York, Mr. Frank Marion and Miss Mae Sargent of Boston, connected with the bureau of animal industry and many others.

## GASOLINE TORCH EXPLODED

During the process of thawing out a water pipe in a house at 23 Railroad street this noon, a gasoline torch exploded and caused a slight fire. Box 31 was sooted and the firemen responded in quick time, extinguishing the blaze before any serious damage resulted. The building is owned and occupied by Israel Nannies.

## JAS. E. O'DONNELL

Counsellor at Law

Room 220 45 Merrimack St.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

For 66 Years  
City Institution  
for Savings  
Never paid less than  
4%  
Interest Begins Jan. 1  
WILKINSON STREET  
CENTRAL STREET

FARRELL & CONATON  
PLUMBERS, STEAM, GAS AND  
WATER FITTERS  
243 Dutton Street Tel. 1518

For New Year's Eve  
Reservations will be accepted up to a certain number only, so that there will be no crowding, assuring you the best of service and affording you the opportunity of enjoying to the fullest extent an excellent supper and entertainment in the right way and at the proper place.

THE RICHARDSON HOTEL  
Our Usual Sunday Special  
T. F. HOBAN, Prop.

THE  
CHALIFOUX  
CORNER

THE CHRISTMAS  
RUSH IS OVER

The day of present giving is passed and once again we look forward to another year to make this a store of even truer advice, of never failing courtesy, of fair dealing, of trustworthy merchandise, of right prices.

YOUR  
TOAST  
MASTER

Did the electric toaster  
grace your breakfast table  
Christmas morn?

Did you enjoy its perfect  
product—so crisp  
and golden brown?

If not, perhaps the day  
made possible the realization  
of your wish.

Lowell Electric Light Corp.  
50 Central St.

# and Grand Musical Programs

The feast of Christmas was celebrated in the Catholic churches of the city yesterday with all the elaborate ceremonial prescribed for its observance. In most cases masses were at the same time as on Sunday, but in decoration, in special music and all the other external of Catholic worship, the character of the great feast was well reflected. The sermons to do with some phase of the Nativity and its significance, and the story was beautifully illustrated by the title Christmas cribs with their life organ. The choir was specially augmented and the solos were by Edward Shea and John J. Dalton. The singing of the sanctuary choir was notable, and in particular the solos by Master John O'Brien, Arthur McQuaid Jr., and Edward McGauvran. Master O'Brien's rendering of Adam's "O Holy Night" was beautiful in its reverence and perfection. A very pretty ceremony was the procession of little girls to the crib after the proper service led by Rev. Owen F. McQuaid, O. M. I. St. Michael's

to statutory groups.

**St. Patrick's.**

The services at St. Patrick's church are especially impressive. The beautiful edifice was decorated even more elaborately than on former years with great festoons of evergreen which were hung from the rafters and gathered about the pillars. Clusters of greenery surrounded the lights and the altar was ablaze with candles and cut flowers. Everywhere were touches of brilliant scarlet to relieve the greenery and make the day its own peculiar atmosphere.

The high mass was celebrated by Rev. Joseph A. Curtin, assisted by Rev. Timothy P. Callahan as deacon and Rev. James J. Kerrigan as sub-deacon. The Rev. William J. O'Connell presided within the sanctuary. Rev. J. Kerrigan preached a forcible sermon on the Nativity and what it means to all the world. The elaborate musical program was given by a choir of voices under the direction of Organist Michael J. Johnson, solos being Miss Alice Murphy, Mrs. James

high mass at St. Michael's yesterday was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Fallon. O. M. L. of the Tewksbury novitate, assisted by Frs. Mullin and Murphy as deacon and sub deacon respectively. Rev. John J. Shaw, the pastor, was present within the sanctuary. The church presented a beautiful and impressive picture being decorated with garlands of the season and the altar being gay with flowers and lights. When the many special lights were turned on at the evening services the effect was strikingly beautiful. Rev. Fr. Shaw celebrated the vesper service, assisted by Rev. Fr. Mullin and Rev. Fr. Murphy.

St. Michael's maintained its high reputation for church music by its splendid program prepared for the occasion, by Director James A. Murphy, with Miss Reilly at the organ. A noteworthy feature was the stirring singing of the sanctuary choir which alternated with the reading of the gospels during the morning and evening services.

Mr. Peters  
Solemn high mass was celebrated at St. Peter's church yesterday at 10 o'clock by Rev. James I. Carey, O. M. I., of the Tuam Valley, assisted by Rev. W. George Mullin, sub-deacon, and Rev. P. J. Crayton, sub-deacon. The sermon was given by Rev. Dr. Keleher, pastor, who also spoke at the earlier masses. The vespers services were held at 7 o'clock and the celebrant was Rev. Dr. Keleher, assisted by Rev. D. J. Heffernan, deacon, and Rev. W. George Mullin, sub-deacon. An elaborate musical program was carried out and was highly published while the church was resplendent in its magnificent Christmas decorations.



A meeting of the consultants of the Holy Name society will be held Monday evening in the school hall.

At the Christmas exercises at St. Peter's school Thursday the presentation speech, a pretty one, was made by the Rev. Father Bernard J. Ward, daughter of President Bernard D. Ward of the Holy Name society.

There was a mass hourly until 11 when a high mass of the day was celebrated. The celebrant, the high altar was Rev. James J. McCurtin, assisted by Rev. Owen P. McQuaid, O. F. M., as deacon, and Rev. Edward J. O. M. L. as sub deacon. The sermon was preached by Rev. Lawrence McElbhe, O. M. The musical program was especially elaborate. It was under the direction of Joseph P. Courti with Mrs. Hugh Walker at the

**Sacred Heart**

In no church of the city were the beautiful Christmas services held in a more impressive setting than in the Sacred Heart church on Moore street. For here the decorations were exceptionally impressive. The whole was arranged so that the altar attracted the immediate attention, being backed with a massive cloud of gorgeous flowers, traced delicately with ropes of

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# THE RABBIT'S FOOT

BY GWEN SEARS

## HOW TO GROW PLUMP

clothes draped around her in folds, but I do mean the angular woman whose every movement is awkward. It is possible to change very ugly things into very plump curves, in fact, and this is the secret. The day is one of the quickest routes to the "Get Plump Quick" town. Oils too should come first in the list of fit foods for the thin woman. Pennants in any form are highly nutritious. Every night before retiring

And last, but not least, keep your mind serene. And your lungs filled with fresh air. You will be surprised to see your gowns taking on a cer-

**CARING FOR THE HANDS**

condition of the hands are only an indicator of one's age. They form a distinguishing mark of a woman's station in life. Rough, coarse hands are no disgrace resulting from honest labor.

people, however, might often be one part—men's face to two parts smoother hands if they gave glycerine, and a small quantity of attention to their care. borax. This serves as a bleach and hands often lose their beauty makes the skin smooth. beautiful appearance through im- Whenever it is possible, a pair care. All sorts of soap— of old gloves should be worn to bed,

of them containing an im- and a good cold cream rubbed thor-  
proportion of soda, are often oughly into the hands, before retri-  
cause of roughened, dry and ing.

## SAUNDERS' MARKET

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 TURKEYS PURCHASED TODAY, 15c Up

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HICKENS, Lb.....	15c	Up
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GS OF LAMB, LB.....	15c	Up
ANBERRIES, QUART.....	5c	

ANGES, DOZEN ..... 10c Up

## Big Sale Tonight Only



## KILLED BY TRAIN

Brakeman Struck by Express at the Bleachery Station

James W. Cooper, aged 42 years, a brakeman on the B. & M. railroad was struck and almost instantly killed by a Lowell bound express in the Bleachery yard Thursday night. He lived at 22 Chambers street and leaves a wife and several children.

Cooper was working on a yard shifter and stepped from behind this, directly in front of the speeding express. He sustained a fractured skull while his legs were badly mangled. Deceased had worked on the railroad for many years, and was well known in all local freight yards.

Christmas sweet cider. Boyle Bros.

## CONDITIONS IN SERBIA

NURSE SAYS SHE HAS NEVER SEEN SUCH SUDDEN AND TERRIBLE DESTITUTION

LONDON, Dec. 26.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—A Serbian Red Cross nurse, writing to the Serbian relief committee in London, describes conditions in Serbia as follows:

"I have seen five wars—what is Serbia's history but a series of wars?—but never have I seen such sudden and terrible destitution. Wounded are lying everywhere, in the houses, on the streets, in the squares, and we are disturbed in our efforts to care for them by the crowd of fugitives constantly pouring in.

"We give what we have, but it is so little, and we are always short. The doors of the Red Cross do not are thronged with supplicants for food and lodging. You know how proud our people are. Nobody wanted to be rich, for all had enough, and now for the first time we realize that we are poor. There is not a family unharmed by the war.

"We have soup kitchens, refugee hospitals, at every turn—all in desperate need. Bakers and butchers are ruined, for we have no money to pay them. One baker said to me weeks ago: 'I have no son to send to the war, but I will give what I have.' He supplied our hospital gratis with bread until his flour gave out. Now he is bankrupt.

"At Svilants three thousand waifs and wanderers arrived last week. The people took them in. I am convinced not a household in that town now has a full meal.

"Yet we do not lose heart. Many of the soldiers give us money, if they can. Yesterday we got contributions of 70 dinars (\$14) and in three cities a total of 2250 dinars (\$450) was collected in two days. This is an enormous sum in Serbia, where a groch (four cents) is as common as a pound sterling (\$5) in England."

## IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Figures made public by the department of commerce today show that November imports totaled \$126,461,697 against \$138,080,820 in October, \$139,210,611 in September, and \$129,767,890 in August, and were \$21,768,539 less than in November last year. November exports totaled \$205,756,424, against \$194,711,379 in October, \$156,052,333 in September, and \$140,567,494 in August, and were \$39,772,618 below those for November last year. This falling off included a decrease of \$71,001,324 in cotton, all other articles as a whole showing a net increase of \$37,628,706. The excess of exports over imports for the month was \$79,294,727, compared with \$59,630,650 in October, \$18,341,722 in September, and an import balance of \$19,409,406 in August. Of the November imports, 62.1 per cent entered free of duty, against 61.7 per cent in October, 61.2, and 61.6 per cent in November, 1912.

Comparing the trade movements in the eleven months ended November 30, 1914, with those of a like period of 1913, import show a total of \$1,574,618,401 against \$1,608,570,909 last year; and exports, \$1,667,879,783, against \$2,260,822,664 last year.

Imports of gold in November last totaled \$7,391,722, against \$7,010,732 in November, 1913; and in the eleven months, \$53,278,618, against \$38,001,426 in the corresponding period last year.

Gold exports in November aggregated \$14,826,452, against \$2,062,958 in November, 1913; and in the eleven months, \$222,455,232, against \$51,226,017 in the same months of last year.

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WE cannot say too much about the quality, make and style of our Suits and Overcoats. When we mention the goods of Hart, Schaffner & Marx, The Fashion Clothes and Kirschbaum's Guaranteed Clothes, we've said it all. We have named the best—when a store of our size and standing starts such a sale it certainly is your duty to investigate.

THIS year seems to be the bottom of the slowing down of business and 1915 looks very much brighter. We realize to unload our stock we must give most radical bargains and have marked extremely low prices on Suits and Overcoats—no goods are to be carried over and if you wish good clothes at bargain prices you cannot afford to miss this sale.

With a few exceptions our entire Medium and Heavy Weight Stock of Suits and Overcoats will be marked as follows—on many small lots and odd garments the reductions will be still greater.

## SUITS

\$20, \$22, \$25, \$28 Medium Heavy Weight Suits Marked Down to **\$17.50**

\$18, \$20, \$22 Medium Heavy Weight Suits Marked Down to **\$14.50**

\$15, \$18, \$20 Medium Heavy Weight Suits Marked Down to **\$12.75**

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Now Marked	Now Marked	Now Marked	Now Marked	Now Marked	
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# SUN REAL ESTATE AND BUILDERS' PAGE

## REAL ESTATE BUSINESS

### What is Doing in the Building Line—Notes of Interest to Contractors and Dealers

A decided boom in the real estate and building activity of Lowell and vicinity is predicted by many early in the year 1915. Many hints of tentative plans are given, with no definite statements, but a favorable expression is "watch and you will see."

However, in any case it is quite reasonable to believe that with the coming of midwinter very many people will begin preparations for purchasing or erecting new homes in the spring. Many local real estate men have stated that they expect a goodly amount of business beginning perhaps in February.

During the past two or three weeks the real estate market in this vicinity has been quiet and the brokers reported but few sales. This would be a most natural condition of affairs during the days immediately preceding the Christmas season. While it is true, according to the statements of men who should know, that the building operations are held in check because of scarcity of money and the reluctance of the banks to lend, nevertheless these engaged in the building field are looking forward to a change for the better. Up to Wednesday night six permits were issued at city hall for building or altering, and of these, five call for new structures and the sixth for an addition.

#### REAL ESTATE NOTES

Francis Varley is building a shed for storage purposes at 57-512 Lakeview avenue. The shed will cost about \$50.

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a few pad or rubber. Burlap also does well. After standing twenty-four hours, sandpaper smooth and apply a surface, some grades of which may be bought ready made. Clean up, allow it to become dry, then polish with wax or apply floor varnish, as desired. Waxed floors look fine and are easily renewed as they need to be, but they do not give the wear that varnish gives. Nor should wax be used under varnish, as it will cause trouble. A good floor varnish, thinned a little each coat, excepting the last, makes a very durable floor finish. As ordinarily used, the wax makes a very slippery floor, one that is inclined dangerous to walk on, but there is a way to avoid this difficulty, and that is to use nothing but wax from the filler up, avoiding varnish or shellac. Or if shellac is used, then sandpaper it to give it tooth. Never finish bathroom, entrance hall or kitchen floor with wax.

Milk is a good thing to wipe up a varnished floor with. I recall one painter who told about a floor that he varnished for a family and that looked well after twenty-seven years of service. It was often wiped off with a milky cloth.

At a summer resort on the New England coast there were some piazza floors of rift southern pine which were finished with coal oil, a very extraordinary method, to be sure, but it is said that oil seemed to preserve the wood and make a very nice effect.

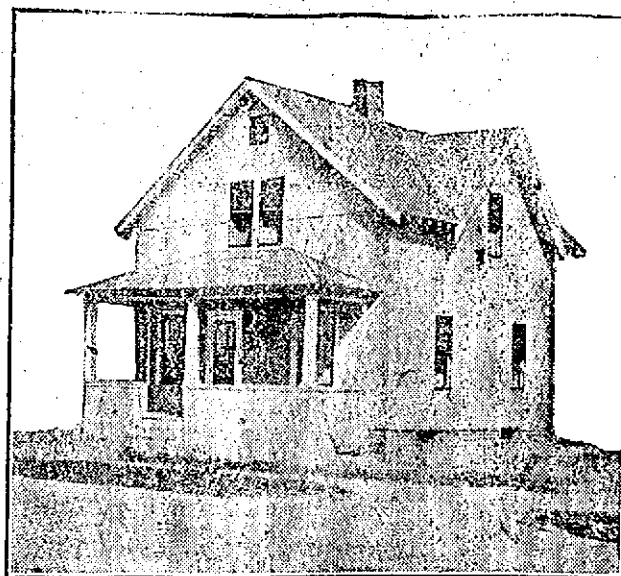
When you wax a new floor allow the wax to lie over night or twenty-four hours before polishing, but an old floor may be polished soon after applying the wax. Polishing may be done with a woolen cloth, but a weighted brush is the best tool to use. There are floors in French public places that are so highly polished as to show the images of the furniture standing on it. Just as water reflects the trees standing at its edges. And some of these fine waxed floors have been in use for two centuries at least.

Water is usually fatal to a waxed floor, and should it be desired to remove the old wax then rub with turpentine.

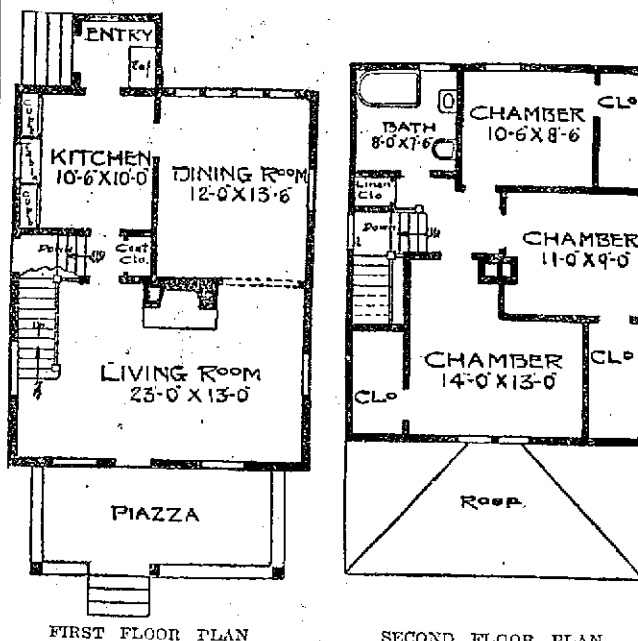
Some finishers say that a hard pine floor should never be varnished nor shellacked, but should be stained dark with a dark oil stain, wiped off, and when dry given a coat of equal parts of oil and turpentine, wiping dry. First wipe across the grain with the dark oil stain, which will take the oil stain from the hard parts and place it in the softer parts of the wood; finally wipe the surface dry with a dry cloth. Repeat this operation until the wood will take no more of it. A floor treated this way will neither scratch nor wear off in spots, and it is an easy matter to renew it. Such a floor is not slippery, but gives a footing to the walker thereon. Also it grows mellow and darker with age, and forms a fine background, as it were, for the furniture of the room.

Why fill a line before waxing? For the reason that when you want to renew such a floor it is easier to remove the wax from a filled surface than from an unfilled one. When you remove wax from such a foundation you have just as good a surface as when the job was first done. —The National Builder.

## A DESIRABLE MODEST COTTAGE



PERSPECTIVE VIEW—FROM A PHOTOGRAPH



This design is for a small family. Porch across the entire front, large living room, with open fireplace. The exterior is white rough cast with shingles in upper part of gables. Size, 24 feet by 28 feet over the main part. Full basement. First story, 9 feet; second story, 8 feet. Birch or Washington fir finish throughout first story, pine to paint in second story. Birch or maple floors throughout. Cost to build, exclusive of heating and plumbing, \$2400.

It is an article of most people's creed that the Oriental rug is always the right thing in the right place. This may be true of certain sorts, of small pattern and indeterminate color, even of those which cannot be so characterized, but which have become with the passage of years faded into a subdued harmony of neutral effect. But when a rug making a distinct color impression is chosen, it is essential to give much care to its setting.

As a rule rugs of this type, definitely red rugs like the Bokharas, Turkish rugs in large sizes with much plain surface of red, blue or orange or those various sorts with a thick pile and a very considerable amount of bright red, to say nothing of many of the Persian carpets, are most at home in rooms of rather sombre coloring, with much dark furniture, brown walls and pictures and bric-a-brac of rich rather than vivid coloring. In such a setting the rug is the chief decorative asset of the room, and gets its utmost possible value.

On the principle which makes a mahogany table-legged table incongruous an Oriental rug is not a happy choice for a room of distinctly French style. Oriental rugs were not used in the classical periods of French decorative art. If one objects to the typical Aubusson or Savonnerie, on the ground of its naturalistic flowers and foliage, a velvet rug of plain color may be substituted and be quite correct. In any case, only the lightest colorings of the Persian carpets will harmonize with delicate French tapestries and cretonnes.

Even in rooms without either definite color, a rug of vivid tones is not always desirable. The writer has in mind such a room, with low toned green walls, delicate Chippendale furniture and family portraits of merit and fine porcelains, all of which are absolutely negligible, owing to the presence of a large rug with a vivid scarlet center, relieved only by a central figure and a palm leaf border in light colors on a white ground.

MIXING MORTAR COLORS  
The demand for mortar colors is becoming greater every day. Not only are dealers and contractors looking to the artistic methods of laying brick in colored mortar, but building owners are realizing the attractiveness which may be secured through the use of the various mortar colors now available.

Believing that the dealers of mortar colors would benefit from information concerning the mixing of these materials, a large Milwaukee firm is supplying them with this information.

"The amount of coloring needed varies with the material used and the shade desired," says Mr. Fred-eck C. Bogk, secretary and treasurer of this company. "For mortar, the following is approximate: For laying 1000 brick with faced joints in red, brown, buff or purple, use from 50 to 60 pounds of color to two and one-half bushels of lime and one-half yard of sand. For buttered joints, use 35 pounds of color. For dry block, use from 80 to 100 pounds. For laying 1000 pressed brick with faced joints, using black pulp colors, take from 40 to 60 pounds of black pulp to two and one-half

adding to the mixed sand and color, making mortar.  
"Always mix the colors with dry material. The more thorough the mixture, the less coloring you will need."

## REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

For the Week Ending Dec. 25

LOWELL

Omer Gagnon et ux. to Sara Laporte, land on Holden street.

Jennie M. Dixby et al. to Chess H. Horton, land and buildings on Bullard street.

Ernest Greenberg et ux. to Ralph Pike, land and buildings on Chelmsford and Daly streets.

Patrick Mulligan to Rose Mulligan, land.

Samuel M. Charlton et ux. to Eliza E. Sales, land.

M. Elizabeth Whitney to Catherine L. Ryan, land and buildings on Adams street.

Pros. of Locks & Canals on Merrimack river to Appleton Co. land.

William M. Cogan to James J. Cogan, land and buildings on Fenwick street.

Joanna Cogan et ux. admr. to Florence E. Grant, land and buildings on Fenwick street.

Elizabeth A. Kelly et al. to Thomas Leaver et ux., land and buildings on West street.

Mary E. Kelly by gens. to Thomas Leaver et ux., land and buildings on West street.

Virginia Polson to Albert Polson, land and buildings on Moody street.

William J. Maguire et ux. to Antonio Pallotto et al., land and buildings on Khaman street.

Katherine A. Kelly et al. to Thomas Leaver et ux., land and buildings on West street.

Charles C. Long to Harlow H. Rogers, Jr., land and buildings on Smith avenue.

Samuel N. Harris et ux. to Robert G. Bartlett, land and buildings corner Sagamore and Liberty streets.

## BILLERICA

Suburban Land Co., Inc., Boston, to Elmer G. Kelly, land and buildings on Natick street.

Eleanor G. Kelly by mizee, to Anna C. Cushing, land on Wallace and Corbridge roads.

Billerica Realty Trust Co., by tra., to Julius Grosevicz, land at Billerica Highlands.

George H. Hill tr. to Percy Coldwell, land corner Marlan road and High street.

George H. Hill tr. to Percy Coldwell, land on Marlan road.

Charles W. Mendenhall et al. to William C. Thompson, land at Pinehurst Annex.

Barnett M. Helm et ux. to Samuel Caro, land and King's Corners Annex.

Tabitha Mills, Billerica, to Herman Catholic archbishop of Boston, land on Colson street and Talbot avenue.

Thomas E. Tufts to Helen Histon Martell, land near Cardington and Glendale avenues.

## DRACUT

Vida S. Walker et al. to Charles Ashton Craig, land and buildings on Epworth street.

Charles Ashley Craig to Alphonse Ritten, land and buildings on Upland street.

## TEWKSBURY

William Schwartz et ux. to Jennie Robinson et al., land and buildings at Shawnee River park.

Sarah Polinstein et al. to Sarah Snider, land and buildings near Billerica line.

## TYNGSBORO

Thomas J. Roberts et ux. to Anna E. Riley, land on road to Chelmsford.

## WESTFORD

Alvin L. Cummings to Warren H. Sherman, land on Durable road.

Amanda T. Fisher et ux. to Alex. Fisher, land on road from Westford to Tyngsboro.

## WILMINGTON

Charles E. Hatch et al. to Edith Forsner, land at Pinegrove park.

Edward E. Hatch et ux. to Panayotes R. Strumbras et al., land on Cleveland avenues, Harris, Pratt and Main streets.

Boon & Lowell R. R. Corp. et al. to Alton B. Alexander, land on Main street.

## NATIONAL FOREST FIRES

SEASON OF 1914 MOST DISASTROUS SINCE ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL FORESTS

The season of 1914, according to the officials of the forest service, carried greater danger from fire to the national forests than any year since the establishment of the national forests. To meet this emergency and to prevent great loss of public property, the department of agriculture was obliged to exceed the amount appropriated for fire protection and incur a deficiency of \$39,243. The conditions of drought and other factors of forest fire hazard were said to be worse than in 1910, when the disastrous Idaho fires occurred.

Weather bureau reports show that in most of the Rocky Mountain and Pacific coast regions, last winter's snows were much below the normal, and as a result there was an early spring and an early drying out of the forests. In western Montana and in northern Idaho there were forest fires in considerable numbers by the end of May and they continued until October. In California, where there is normally a very long season of drought, the season started in some portions five weeks earlier than usual, and in the southern part of the state the fire danger was still great at the end of November. A long dry season, sustained periods of high temperature, recurring hard and steady winds, and in certain places, unusually hot, dry nights, rendered the forests exceedingly inflammable and the problem of fire prevention unusually difficult.

More Than 6000 Fires  
The total number of fires during the season of 1914, which threatened the national forests and which had to be handled by the protective organization of the forest service were 6127, about 1000 more than occurred in 1910. This number represents the fires reported up to December 1. At that time reports indicated that there was still a dangerous condition in southern California and in certain portions of the national forests of the east. The service says that the total for the year will be increased by fires in these regions during December.

The most serious conditions are reported from western Montana and northern Idaho and on the Pacific slope.

Weather conditions in the central and southern Rocky Mountain regions were more nearly normal. As a consequence only 15 per cent of the total number of all national forest fires occurred in these regions and they were handled without difficulty and with very small loss of property.

Of the entire 6127 fires which threatened the national forests, 81 per cent were extinguished by the protective organization before they had covered 10 acres. The percentage of fires that burned over more than 10 acres was smaller than in any previous year.

While detailed reports have not yet been received appraising the exact loss to the government through the forest fires, a preliminary estimate shows that the loss of merchantable timber will probably not exceed \$400,000. In 1910 the corresponding estimate of loss was nearly \$1,000,000, but later estimates materially reduced the amount. Through the work of the protective force the fires this year were largely confined to old burns and to less heavily timbered areas. The loss to the government through the destruction of young trees which had sprung up in these openings is larger than the actual loss to green timber.

Reaction of Greatest Danger  
In Montana and Idaho alone, it is said that the value of specific bodies of timber which were threatened by the approximately 2600 fires which started and were put out, aggregated the enormous sum of over \$59,000,000. It was in this section that the largest amount of money had to be spent to prevent a recurrence of the great disaster of 1910. In Oregon and Washington, the 1200 fires which were handled by the department threatened upwards of \$24,000,000 worth of timber. And these figures, according to the department experts, do not include the value of non-merchantable timber and young trees which are expected to grow on land, and several million dollars worth of ranch and other private property which lay in the path of the threatening conflagrations. Figures are not yet gathered of the precise amount of damage threatened by fires in California and other national forest states, though they are expected to add to large amounts to the total value of the property threatened and saved.

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# THE CHRISTMAS FESTIVITY

Notable Events in the Church Vestries—Many Poor Families Made Happy

There is no doubt that the Christmas festival was enjoyed as fully by the poor of Lowell as by those of any other city in the country. The splendid efforts of various charitable organizations including church fraternities, the Elks, the Salvation Army, the Humane society, the Lowell Guild, the local firemen and several individuals who dispensed charity quite freely, proved effective in bringing joy to the hearts of thousands who would otherwise have spent the Christmas in gloom if not in actual want. Quite a number of stores also contributed to the relief of families whom they knew to be in need. Altogether the combined efforts of the charitably inclined was never more successful in reaching every individual in need of aid.

The inmates of the institutions, the orphanages, hospitals and homes were made to feel that they were not forgotten and that in the great outer world there are many kind friends who think of them and are anxious to have them share the general rejoicing at the Christmastide.

## St. Peter's Orphanage

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St. Plurican and Mr. George Kivlin. Mr. John Kelly presided at the organ. The choir under the able direction of Miss Catherine Wholey. The service closed with benediction. The choir rendered "Ave Maria".

St. Joseph's The feast of the Nativity was observed in a fitting manner at St. Joseph's church yesterday. A solemn high mass being celebrated in the morning and solemn vespers in the evening. The church was elaborately decorated with laurels and evergreen, while the altar presented a very brilliant appearance with its many incandescent lights and tapers, while holly and potted plants were much in evidence. The crib, which had been placed within the sanctuary, reflected much credit upon the devotion of the church. Henri Blanchette, who devoted considerable time in preparing this feature of the Christmas celebration.

The parish mass was celebrated at 10:30 o'clock by Rev. Armand Baron, O. M. I., assisted by Rev. Bro. Joseph Moriarty, O. M. I. and Rev. Bro. Frank Curry, O. M. I., both of Tewksbury, as deacon and sub deacon respectively. The sermon was preached by Rev. L. A. Nolin, O. M. I., who delivered a masterpiece on the gospel of the day. The choir under the able direction of Telephora Mado, rendered Kallivoda's mass, and that part of the program was carried out in a most efficient manner. The soloists of the mass were Misses Stella Latour, Rose Tausler, Rose Lacour, Evelyn Benoit, Alice Bonin, A. Perron, Mrs. J. B. D. Jacques, Mrs. Telephora Mado and Messrs. L. J. Z. Robillard, P. H. Brassard, Arthur Leveille, Arthur Giroux, Henri Weibrenner, Alfred Du-

St. Columba's The high mass at St. Columba's church was sung by Rev. Thomas W. Buckley, who also preached the sermon. The altar was prettily decorated and the music which was unusually attractive was given under the direction of Miss Catherine Wholey.

St. Louis' The parish mass at St. Louis' church in West Centralville was celebrated at 8:30 o'clock yesterday. The celebrant being Rev. E. J. Vincent, assisted by Rev. L. C. Bodard as deacon and Rev. J. B. Labossiere as sub deacon. The decorations in the little church were splendid and added greatly to the solemnity of the celebration. The choir rendered "Ave Maria".

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We have on more than one occasion recently called attention to the injurious effects of a lack of general confidence on all departments of business, and to illustrate the point we need but refer to merchants and manufacturers who declare that for some time past business was not what it should have been though everything pointed to prosperity. In our own city the mills are running at full blast, many of them working overtime. Others have recently received orders that will enable them to start on an unusually active scale in the near future. Most of our people are regularly employed and prosperous. How comes it then that the stores complain of stagnation? The war and a fear of its possible consequences have created the illusion that times in this country are going to be bad, when, in reality, there is every reason to expect a contrary state of affairs.

Now that the holiday season is over there will be a natural reaction in some lines of business, but early in the new year this country will in all probability feel the spur of a business revival that shall grow steadily and slowly until we reach the high water mark of national prosperity. Unless all auguries fail, we will reap the gain of others' loss. As yet the war has not laid its paralyzing hand on all countries, but life must adjust itself to conditions and must go on as best it may. In the southern half of this continent are millions of leaders who have until the last few months been supplied with the products of Germany, France and England. War broke out and their source of supply was either partially or entirely wiped out. Though they may get along for a little while they must very soon look to other sources for the necessities of life and for the modern manufactures that are necessary to carry on the tasks of existence. We are the only nation where the barrier of war does not in some way interfere with the normal relations of commerce and to us must come much of the patronage hitherto enjoyed by the belligerent nations of Europe.

This question is a practical one, removed from abstract discussion. The myriads of South America, of the Orient and of other sections of the globe must soon turn to this country for clothing, for shoes, for machinery, for food, for most of the natural and manufactured products that are absolutely necessary to their existence. When they do, the shoe shops of Lowell, the mills of Lowell, the machine shops of Lowell, practically all the factories of Lowell will fall in for a share of the orders. We have this on the word of prosaic men of business who are not swayed by emotion or sentiment and who are more apt to look on the conservative side than on the side of optimism. Heads of the great manufacturing corporations of this country, political leaders in all parties, trade journals noted for their accuracy, influential papers in all parts of the country, chambers of commerce and other civic bodies everywhere join in predicting unusual prosperity and warning America to be ready for it when it comes so that opportunity will not turn disappointed from our door.

In order that we may fully enjoy the blessings of industrial prosperity, it is most essential that our own people put aside the needless fears which have been apparent for some time past and that they shall face the immediate future with confidence. Needless hoarding of money makes business bad and engenders an artificial feeling of uncertainty. There is absolutely no need for this and everyone who has the interest of our country at heart will strive to banish the temporary clouds and let the sunshine of business activity shine in. Be then a business boomer. Argue with the occasional prophet of disaster and show him how unwise and how illogical his position is. Do not squander your money but spend it in a normal fashion, paying your debts and buying what you need as in days before the war. Prosperity is surely coming our way and you just put your shoulder to the wheel and help it along.

## DETROIT'S WAY

A few days ago The Sun called the attention of its readers to a suggestion made by the Boston Herald for the relief of genuine unemployment, to wit: that certain large municipal undertakings be set on foot at times of private business depression. Now news comes to hand of the manner in which this problem is being handled in Detroit—a city by the way which has had more than its share of unemployment for some time past. In that city the commerce board has used its influence to provide work for the unemployed by advocating the commencement of certain large contracts that ordinarily would not have been started until spring. The suggestion was followed with commendable promptness. The same policy has been adopted with regard to some jobs of lesser importance. As a result hundreds can live without recourse to charity and the normal life of the city will not be affected in the least. With the dawn of general prosperity in the spring, Detroit will not suffer for having started its municipal tasks early. Rather will it be to the city's advantage to have adopted the various reforms.

This is a change in municipal administration that seems destined to greater development as the years advance. In all cities the difficulties in the way of starting municipal undertakings early are mostly financial, as there are many tasks of a large nature which may be carried out in late winter as well as in summer. Even in a prosperous year business slows up at this season to some extent and there is more compulsory unemployment than at any other time. It is a period, too, when the tasks of daily existence fall most heavily on the average worker. To provide the family with food and clothing and to keep them comfortable and healthy is no light task. Would it not then be worth while for our authorities to see if some municipal undertakings could not be arranged so as to offer employment to many at a time of distressing dullness?

Private concerns, too, may advantageously strain a point to start activity this year a little earlier than usual. In the building trade and many other lines of business it is usual to await the warm weather before starting the actual work of the busy season. In cases where contracts have been settled and work laid out in advance it is often possible to get things going a little early and this should be done next year if possible. To tide over labor to the bright time just ahead would be an economic as well as a humanitarian triumph. The real obstruction to municipal activity at this time is usually finan-

cial shortage, but this condition is remediable. The Sun has advocated the planning of street work, for instance, for more than one season in advance and the same idea has been put in force by our board of trade. If petty politics and selfish interests were put aside in discussing questions such as this the result would be far more satisfactory than at present. Even though at present we can but admire the generous progressiveness of cities such as Detroit, let us hope for the dawn of a time when better business and a broader outlook directs our own municipal administration.

## A CITY MANAGER

When a year or so ago, the city manager idea was at first aired in this section there was a great deal of discussion in the press, discussion which died down eventually. That the movement bore fruit, however, is eloquently attested to by the fact that twenty-two important American cities have a city manager; many other cities are seriously considering the adoption of the suggestion. At the recent conference of city managers in Springfield, O., Henry M. Walter, city manager of Dayton, summed up the main requirements of a city manager as follows:

A city manager should have at least a fair education, sufficient theory, but not too much to overbalance practicality. He must know how to handle men. He must be fair and just. He must have the confidence of his constituents. Any man with these qualifications can be a city manager. Such a man can select subordinates and advisers to aid him in carrying out the functions of those departments with which he is not familiar in detail.

Continuing, Mr. Walter said that the city manager may get efficient administration from his departments by organization, an impossible achievement.

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under the old form of government and not wholly possible under most modern forms. He suggested the hiring of a manager from out of town who is not apt to be swayed by selfish considerations or the local play of party politics, and he also advocated a resident publicity as a remedy for most of the ills which misgovernment has befallen Lowell. Lowell can afford another of his suggestions which is that a change for the sake of change must be encouraged, as better country to the best interests of the people.

Speaking of the city manager plan in a recent editorial the Springfield Union said:

The least that is to be said for the city manager plan is that it is significant of a widespread desire to get municipal administration out of the hands of politicians and establish it upon some such basis of efficiency as has been exemplified by the thorough-going business corporation. As such the adoption for a better form of a most wholesome and encouraging development.

While not advocating the exact form of the city manager plan as it is being tried elsewhere, it is a matter for rejoicing that its spirit is being more and more sanctioned in Lowell. Anything that tends to genuine economy and efficiency is as welcome here as it is necessary.

## THE AMERICAN POLE

A little innocent amusement has been created in some quarters by the efforts of Representative Smith of Buffalo to get congress by joint resolution to annex the North pole and its environs. That we may do this in propriety is undoubted and that we ought to do so is also evident. What though the North pole may be an imaginary territorial quantity? It is the pole for which mankind searched vainly until our own Peary tracked the frozen wastes and dispelled another mystery of the globe. That there will ever be any international complications about the ownership of the pole is most unlikely but nevertheless the action of congress would show the entire world that the achievement of Peary is not regarded lightly by the nation which has shared in the glory of his exploit. It has been asserted by our critics that America does some splendid things through impulse but that it is apt to forget its benefactors. To annex the North pole would prove that we have not forgotten that newly-acquired territory—whatever it is to be said for our treatment of the discoverer.

## CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION

The Engineering Record in a review of the recent fire in the Edison plant at Orange, N. J., finds that the statements as to the destruction of concrete buildings must be modified considerably. After a careful examination of the wrecked plant it finds that concrete has stood the test and vindicated the claims made for it. Seven concrete buildings that were attacked by the flames still stand while near by are the tangled remains of one frame building and six brick buildings. The chief reasons for the great extent of the disaster, according to the Record, were the highly inflammable character of the contents of the buildings, the inadequacy of the water supply, lack of fire walls and the absence of automatic sprinklers. There is much in this report to direct those who may be considering the erection of a modern fireproof building. Taken all in all, it is a commendation of the type of construction of which the Sun

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## Town of Tewksbury NOTICE

All persons having accounts against the town should have the same in the hands of the selectmen for approval on or before December 31, 1914.

All persons having any articles they wish inserted in the warrant for town meeting must have the same in the hands of the selectmen on or before the 15th of January, 1915.

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## A GREAT HOLIDAY

If the war in Europe cast a little gloom over our enjoyment of Christmas it also in a measure added to our feeling of spirituality, for the contrast between the old and the new world waked the springs of gratitude in many a heart that is not often thrilled by holy impulses. In some quarters there might have been a gloom born of sad recollections, but in most cases our people gave themselves over to the splendid spirit of the time. The municipal celebration brought joy to many and so did the other public or semi-public affairs, but the real holiday spirit was manifested in the large congregations that thronged the churches and in the happy home circles. It was again, as it has always been, the day of all days, full of genuine sentiment and good cheer. May it dawn next year on a world free from the sorrows of a fratricidal war!

Remember the old-fashioned Christmas cards with the white-roofed houses, the trees like tents, the light-

ed window-pane with its wreath of holly and scarlet ribbon, the little bird in the snow and the diamond glitter over everything? Now, wasn't it just like it?

Governor Walsh certainly gave some straight truths the other day in his little heart to heart talk before the Congregational ministers of Boston. Even his most bitter political opponent will admit on reading it that it got under the skin. If those who differ from him were to reveal their true sentiments in the same manly fashion, much of their animosity could be laid down to petty party politics.

And many a sad-eyed little fellow in Europe wished that Santa Claus would bring his papa back and let nearly broke old Santa's heart to refuse.

Poor old 1814 totters along on his last legs. Doctors do not hope for more than another week. Get ready to welcome the Crown Prince 1915.

Now, honest, did you forget the war yesterday?

A time of toys and trouble.

## SEEN AND HEARD

Some men are so worried over the European situation that they can't hold their own.

The men who have to go on errands for other men to earn a living are doing it because they would rather use their feet than their heads.

## LIVING IN DEEDS

An illustration of "We live in deeds, not years," occurred when a schoolboy not far from Boston surprised his teacher when she said:

"Robbie, you may tell me when the days are longest."

"When we have to carry coal instead of going skating," replied the pseudo-philosopher.

## HARNESS RACING REVIVAL

Followers of harness racing are optimistic in regard to the future of the sport in the Old Bay State. An exceptionally fast half mile track is being built at Springfield in connection with the new \$100,000 fair grounds. Other indications of a revival of harness racing are the building of new tracks at Holyoke and Fitchburg, dedicated recently, and plans made for a new track at Lowell, and another between Fall River and New Bedford.

## WELL, WHAT THE—

There is a colored preacher in Mobile.

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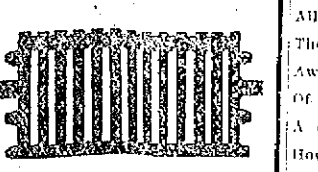
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—Sarah Kibbles Hunt.

## EDITORIAL COMMENT

### BREATHIE IT LOW

The Springfield Republican suspects that "many of the men who assumed demon run on the floor of congress yesterday then hurried out to ease parched throats." Merely different in point of time from what Mark Twain observed long ago, "that whiskey goes into committee rooms in demijohns and comes out in demagogues."—Worcester Post.

### THE FRANK MURDER TRIAL

Collier's Weekly is now engaged in a publicity campaign to prove that Leo Frank has been wrongfully convicted of the murder of Mary Phagan in Atlanta, a crime which startled the city and the entire south. The attorney sent by Collier's to the Frank trial has a long and honorable experience in his profession and his findings are entitled to the most serious consideration. He picks to place the government's evidence against Frank and to an unprejudiced mind makes out a strong case. That it was impossible for Frank to get a fair trial in Georgia is a sacrifice, is quite plainly shown in the series of articles written by the Collier representative, for all the reasons it is to be hoped that the next trial will finally get to a higher tribunal.—Fitchburg Sentinel.

### POST OFFICE BUSINESS

The post office is doing the biggest business in its history due, of course, to the use of the parcel post which now probably does 75 per cent. of the Christmas business formerly handled by the express companies. In comparing the present and past business of the post office it must be done by estimating the amount of business done in the lines covered before the parcel post was established. Also in estimating the profit and loss, allowance must be made for the fact that the railroads are carrying a large portion of the new parcel post freight without pay or at least without any more pay than they got before the parcel post became such a factor in the transportation business of the post office department.—Berkshire Eagle.

### WHAT FRANCE WANTS

In his statement before the French chamber of deputies, President Viviani laid down the conditions on which his government would accept peace. They are: Return of Alsace-Lorraine to France; restoration of Belgium territory and full indemnity for the losses she has sustained; and the crushing of Prussian militarism.—Worcester Gazette.

### THE BALKAN STATES

Bulgaria has given the allied powers definite assurances of its intention to maintain strict neutrality in the war now raging. On the strength of this assurance, the entente powers, Great Britain, France and Russia, have given guarantees to Athens and Bucharest that Bulgaria will not be a factor in the event of the latter country going to the help of its former ally, Serbia, in its contest against Austria. Rumania also has been guaranteed immunity from an attack by Bulgaria in case it should enter the war. This

## WHAT THE FRENCH MAID SAID

### A NEW DECORATION

"I was just reading about the increasing use of Japanese cloths for curtains, couch covers and lots of things," said Marjorie as she entered with an open magazine in her hand. "Do you know anything about them?" "Why yes, something," answered the French maid. "I have used quite a number of such stuffs in re-decorating madame's boudoir and it certainly makes a room very charming. Marjorie, the blue and white cotton material, sold by the yard, with which Japanese are keeping us supplied. Well, as you also know, it has been used for numerous things besides curtains and pillow tops. Extremely attractive curtains it makes. If one is careful to select a pattern suitable for the size of the room. But I was thinking of a very attractive panel I saw in a blue and white dining room. It was the only decoration the room boasted,

with the exception of the pale rail which contained Canton china plate in the same wonderful tones of blue. "The pattern of this panel was that of wild ducks, flying over a stream in which were the usual number of rushes and posts. It was framed in black." "This was the way it was done. First the material was mounted on a piece of cardboard, library paste will hold it securely—then it was framed and glazed as one would treat an ordinary picture. It was very effectively hung between two windows, which were curtained in another pattern of the same cotton material." "I must certainly have a Japanese panel," excitedly returned Marjorie. "Your description makes me almost see our dining room with two such panels in it. There are spaces where they will just fit, I am sure, and they will go and look over the woods in my favorite Japanese shop at once."

### MARIE TELLS HOW TO FURNISH A DESK

"Oh Marie, father has just had sent to the house a big desk and it is beautiful, but of course looks rather plain without anything on it. I thought perhaps you would help me in selecting the desk fittings." "Surely I will," answered Marie. "Now, what type is the desk?" "Why I should say it was sort of a Dutch style," said Marjorie. "Well, now let me see," mused Marie. "Suitable fittings for the big read table desk of Dutch type are in cream-colored wood painted with figures of people in quaint array. Both sides of the handle and the blade of a rather ponderous-looking paper knife are decorated with little black shoes and flat white caps, playing tag." "Yes and what else," impatiently queried Marjorie as she jotted down the information almost faster than Marie could give it. "The handles of the long shears are painted with figures of seedling

housewives and village gossiping. The 'Van Winkle' sort," continued Marie. "And there are stands for holding ink and mullage bottles decorated with Dutch scurries or public letter writers. But most fascinating of all are the two boxes with pictures of babies in arms, all of them wearing garments of brightest tones." "How shall I clean the desk fittings, I don't want to spoil their beautiful decorations," asked Marjorie. "The wood used for these novel desk fittings is too hard to split or break or warp easily, and as its surface is, thickly coated, with varnish the various pieces may be wiped with a damp cloth without risk or injury to their decorations," said Marie. "You are such a help Marie!" said Marjorie gratefully in departing. "I am sure the desk will look very beautiful when we have it all furnished."

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# HUB FIREMAN KILLED IN FALL DOWN SLIDING POLE

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—Just a few hours after an escape from death in the collapse of a roof at the Pearl street fire Thursday night, Hoseman Thomas W. Devney fell down the sliding pole during a dizzy spell in the fire house on Congress street and was killed almost instantly.

It is believed that his work during the three-alarm fire brought on a spell of nausea and sickness which led to his fatal tumble early yesterday morning.

He was one of 17 firemen who nearly lost their lives when the roof crashed through during the spectacular fire, and the shock of that experience, combined with the intense smoke and heat which he braved, is thought to have caused the falling spell.

Devney turned into his bunk at the fire house shortly after midnight, having twice climbed an 85-foot ladder at the fire with a coil of hose while heavy smoke belched in his face.

About 2:30 a. m. the hoseman heard a guard, John A. Harrington, heard a crash in front of the stalls. Hearing groans, he hurried to the sliding pole.

## THEY DO SAY

That business is picking up.

That a young reporter of this city will join the benefits on Jan. 7.

That everyone sympathizes with the postman during the Christmas season.

That the bad walking did not seem to keep the shoppers at home.

That there'll be no fat Kirkland after the Christmas just passed.

That Humphrey's dog, coming prosperously proved to be prophetic.

That Col. Carmichael has the wrong dog on an annexation.

That "Wag" will spend New Year's in Quebec. There is a reason.

That many little tots were made happy yesterday.

That next week will be a great time to buy presents for next Christmas.

That when women get the vote there will be a slump in feminine oratory.

That the man who pays his bills promptly helps business along.

That the Lowell treasury is like the tale of early poetry; nothing in it.

That there are several liquor licenses for sale in Lowell.

That the smile of one loser in the Sun building is as cheery as any.

That sometimes when doctors disagree there's a — of a rumple.

That the city planning board is beginning to show some signs of life.

That the postal card is a sweet little reminder of friendship unbroken.

That the municipal council may be known as the automobile jugglers.

That many a poor family's Christmas was made happy by the B. P. O. E.

That the South Ends New Year's party will be some event.

That a city hall attack is slated for supervisor of elections. A new graft.

That patience with the best of us sometimes comes to a virtue.

That all of the mills having big orders have not told about it.

That Col. Carmichael is not very popular in Dracut.

That say what you will there's no place like the old home at Christmas.

That one of the blondest girls gave the strongest Christmas dinner.

That the "Manservant" next Tuesday evening will be a brilliant affair.

That lawyer John "Harry" Flaherty ought to make a capable toastmaster.

That Bill Linton is treating his friends to 7-20-4 cigars.

That Tom Brennan is home from college looking the picture of health.

That Jack Torrey makes a most acceptable floor director.

That Frank McArthur says it's a shortstop and not a first baseman.

That the Warren club will celebrate the New Year fittingly.

That P. Cogger showed J. Cogger how to play with the other night.

That the Germans and Russians continue to see-saw around Warsaw.

That many visitors and former residents were in town for the holidays.

That Santa came and went and everybody's happy but broke.

That "A" has not as yet come across with those cigars.

That another newspaper man joined the benefits this week.

That grandma danced the tango, the fox trot and maxixe and then started in her little bed for 27 weeks.

That the South End club will usher in the New Year with a jolly good time.

That the annual party of the telephone clerks will take place on the eve of January 27.

That the officers of the Humane society are busy caring for the poor horses these days.

That several young men attempted to visit the telephone operators Thursday night but none was successful.

That the Christmas tree celebration at the county training school in North Chelmsford was a merry event.

That persons who did their Christmas shopping early had the better of the weather man this year.

That more than one clever girl has taken an old coat from the attic to make over into the latest styles.

That the who loves his fellow man is who takes out a few shovelfuls of ashes in the wee wee hours.

That a walk on the icy sidewalks before the sand man gets around is an excellent obesity cure.

That if some people had their way Lowell would still be a part of Chelmsford.

That the genial countenance of "Joe" Smith looks familiar at the door of the Opera House.

That many a new sled has appeared in the land as the result of a visit from Santa Claus.

That there will be a more general observance of New Year's eve in this city this year than ever before.

That police officers are scarce in certain districts of the city after midnight.

That the pastor of St. Peter's church was well remembered by the children of the parish.

That the next Christmas celebration in St. Louis parish will probably be held in a new church.

That J. E. Danvers, notary public, constable and public administrator is out for a week and a half.

That the winter scene from the tenth story of the Sun building is most beautiful.

That the curious man, after reading about the prohibitionists' vote stayed out for a week and a half.

That the tree appeal to some of us in a way we are almost ashamed to confess.

That the election to be held at the Y. M. C. E. tomorrow has them all guessing.

That a certain young bookkeeper employed in a Merrimack street store is constantly complaining of the cold.

That the banquet to be conducted by the South Ends New Year's eve promises to be an unprecedented success.

That the mills of Lowell are coming in for their share of the war orders.

That Monday's snow storm put the Moody street car line on the blink during the noon hour.

That Santa Claus had to get passports from the state department in accordance with the spirit of neutrality.

That this weather the sand man should come around early in the morning.

That the man gets the worst of it when it comes to hanging up stockings.

That many girls were surprised and others were not with the gifts they received from their "steakdies."

That a person realizes at Christmas time that it is very profitable to do a "little turn" for some people.

That the fellow who cannot smile this season should be sent to the trenches.

That the Lord loves a cheerful giver and the commandment loves a cheerful giver.

That the two varieties of Turkey came down a peg since Thanksgiving.

That the children look like a quaint colony of Arab tents from the lunch floor.

That Miss McQuaid, the new assistant secretary to the governor, was born in Lowell.

That conductor Joe Moore says one of his early morning passengers can talk on any subject.

That Bernard D. Ward will make a capable secretary for the Federation of Catholic societies.

That many expected on the big

Christmas tree would have provided dinners for a great many poor families.

That the mayor gives out figures on street work. What's the matter Charlie?

That the Lowell police have really captured a murderer who made no attempt to run away.

That purchasing agent Fove says there are a lot of pianos out of tune in Lowell.

That a boy wouldn't have to go to school if he learned other things as easily as he learns his words.

That Martin Conley's big family in Chelmsford street had their appetites with them on Christmas day.

That Judge McLaughlin of the superior court may be advanced to the supreme bench.

That any traffic officer in Lowell would swap his job for an ice house beat.

That when a man loses himself to so many duties a day he forgets how to lead after the fifth day.

That overseas companies should complain that the government is a nonentity in restraint of trade.

That meritment was brought to many homes yesterday by visits of representatives of Lowell's charity societies.

That Dr. Richard J. McCloskey says that a trick's annual banquet next Wednesday will be the greatest ever held.

That the former who remained: "Crows may come and crows may go, but the bull goes on forever" must have been reading the city hall news.

That thus far six pianos for the city have been selected at a cost of \$160, which leaves four to be purchased for the remaining \$100.

That harmony has been restored between the Choral society and the Opera house management and the city's concerts will not be "canceled."

That the only way to be sure of a seat on the Highland car at certain hours of the day and night is to walk over to High street and take the car.

That a play has been run over the sidewalks in the vicinity of 7 street and the Highland, for which heaven and Frank Harris be praised.

That the money expended for a band concert and Christmas tree on the South common will have been put to better use in aiding the poor.

That a certain young man who made a trip to Haverhill to play the role of Santa Claus almost lost his presents on the way.

That more accidents will occur on the Lowell-Lawrence state highway unless speed restrictions are put in force by the police of Dracut.

That the engagement of the new president, Mr. A. A. is anticipated, the municipal economy to be performed on Jan. 7.

That St. Jean Baptiste church when completed will be one of the finest Catholic churches in this part of the state.

That when the international dispute is all settled, two will still be wrangling here and there as to who shall be the snow.

That those who caught cold listening to the municipal council, the medicine bills up to the city.

That a man in Centralville boasts of having been fishing through the ice and of finding the same holes he made last year.

That the spectre of poverty, like Hannu's ghost, was on deck at the Christmas tree celebration on the South common.

That the closing of the Muskegetan mills was done to get ready for the U. S. worsted case.

That it wouldn't do any harm if the sidewalks were given a coat of Anovox street park were given a peek by the sandman.

That the bunting employees are entitled to the fact that the material for "Old Glory" will continue to be "Made in Lowell."

That the chauffeur who drove the machine in which Harry Thaw was shot from Mattawan is a resident of Lowell.

That many of the girls were surprised when they saw a certain "young man" name in the "quarter of century column" the other day.

That the rain that followed Monday's snow was in only playing to Charles Morse but to others who have large sidewalks to shovel.

That the only alternative when you live on a car line that will get you to work in ten minutes early or ten minutes late is to walk.

That the modern martyr is the man who smokes the cigars his wife gives him or who wears a yellow necktie with pink dots the day after.

That Commissioner Carmichael would think Commissioner Carmichael would be the right man at the head of the department of finance.

That a great many parties have been planned for New Year's eve and the Christmas club banquet will be king of them all.

That Col. Carmichael looks for a \$15 tax rate in 1915. The colon evidently believes that Lowell's government will improve year by year.

That the textile school people rather than bother with the police are offering a \$100 reward for the detection of the miscreant who stole an evergreen tree from the school grounds.

That Hon. John F. Fitzgerald will sing "Sweet Adeline" and his last one, "Tipperary," in conjunction with the address at St. Patrick's church last night.

That Humphrey O'Sullivan was in attendance at the Merrimack Clothing store every business day this week and was usually playing the waltz on his precious guitar.

That the City Bowling league is getting up some high figures of late. Also that this organization has been in a distinct addition to the winter sporting life of the city.

That the large number of women who neglect to exercise their privilege election day may not be an argument against women's suffrage, but it offers a problem to those who activate the cause.

That, as one patrolman has admitted that the loss of sleep is disastrous. Centralville residents are now hoping that the return of the patrolman will have a little mercy on them.

That it is rather hard luck, after spending half of an hour in the waiting for a car to go home to dinner, to find the car has been taken to a restaurant and rush through your meat dish half past two.

That there were many inquiries as to how Congressman Rogers voted on the Hobson national prohibition bill. With the other Massachusetts congressmen with the exception of that-lick he voted "No."

That now that Mayor Murphy has made a report of the work of the street and sewer departments the public would like to have one from Commissioner Moore of the street and sewer departments.

That Officer Wink showed the real

Christmas spirit Wednesday evening when he sent an unfortunate woman home who might have been locked up had she failed into the hands of a less kind-hearted patrolman.

That while Shedd park may be a rather unsightly and neglected spot during the summer months certainly it is the scene of animation and pleasure during the cold weather, thanks to its safe facilities for skating.

That the residents of Kenwood and Brookside are better than ever for attention since they have heard about the grand Christmas eve celebration afforded the citizens of Lowell by the municipal council, free of charge.

That it is very aggravating after you go to a store and ask for the best paint brush on the market to have the sales come out as soon as you begin to show the sketches that you can handle something besides a broom brush.

That Lowell is one of the few cities that plays a double-header on Christmas eve. The first is the athletic celebration for 15 days hence. There will be something to do in the Greek colony and the Greeks are fine entertainers.

That the local dances are having hard sledding, not only on account of the scarcity of cash, but because those who haven't danced the night before remain away rather than display their ignorance. A return to the glides looks like a good bet.

That the selection of a manager for the Lowell baseball club is the most mooted problem upon our athletic horizon at present. The entire league is wondering just what Messrs. Roach and Kennedy are planning to do next season.

That if the Bay State street railway will put a couple of extra cars on the Highland line, it will soon be paying large dividends for with the limited accommodations afforded on that line at certain hours of the day and night all the people who want to contribute their good money to the cause.

That Police Chief Edward Heller of Terre Haute, Ind., who was sentenced to jail for contempt of court, put up a circuit court record and was obliged to do his hollering in the county jail for the next 30 days.

That whenever the mill people find themselves plodding through the unheated rows of their work to work in the morning they sigh for the good old days when Laurens Deas was superintendent of streets. No snow since ever and they always had the mill people work before the mill people left their homes.

# FALL WAS FATAL BIGGEST WOMAN ALIVE

## Mrs. Mary E. Osgood Fell Down Stairs at Her Home

Mrs. Mary E. Osgood, a widow, 57 years of age, died yesterday afternoon as a result of falling down a flight of stairs in her home, 37 Sawtelle place. From the information gathered by neighbors, Mrs. Osgood was working about the house when, in some manner, she slipped and fell the whole length of the stairs. Dr. Sweetser was called, but the woman died before he arrived. The body was removed to the rooms of Undertaker George W. Healey, where it was examined by Dr. J. V. Wells, who pronounced death due to a fracture and dislocation of the spine. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Katherine H. Snyder.

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## REFUGEES IN ENGLAND

GENERAL CENSUS BY KING ALBERT'S CABINET TO ACCOUNT FOR BELGIANS

LONDON, Dec. 25.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press)—A general census of Belgian refugees in England has been ordered that King Albert's cabinet may know where the Belgians subject to military service are quartered.

## Also the Smallest Found Here in Lowell — Mrs. Ouellette, 680 and Mlle. Laferriere, 50 Pounds

While the distinction of being the "long and short of it" has been awarded by public opinion to that precious pair of pictorial fame, "Mutt and Jeff," the city of Lowell can lay claim to the distinction of having among its cosmopolitan population the biggest and littlest of female humanity, existing not on paper, but in the flesh.

Madame Floessie Ouellette of 41 Ward street tips the scales at 680 pounds, and has just passed the 50th milestone along life's great highway. Not far distant from her home, at 133 Cheever street, resides Mlle. Anna Laferriere, aged 13, whose height is only 33 inches and whose weight just 50 pounds.

Mme. Ouellette, who, barring an occasional slight attack of rheumatism, is in perfect health and abundantly possessed of that good nature which is the great boon of all fat people, was born at Ste. Anne des Monts, County Gaspe, Quebec. She is one of a family of 13 children. Her father who is still living, weighs 266 pounds, while her mother weighed 245. All of the children were extraordinarily heavy, the smallest, Mrs. Felix Chouinard, who died in this city 13 years ago, weighing 112. The boys of the family were all well established in the heavyweight class, their avoirdupois running from 200 to 350 pounds.

At the age of 16 years Mme. Ouellette weighed 230 pounds. In her 17th year she married Thomas Ouellette, looked little beside his buxom bride. Seven children have blessed their union and of these, one daughter weighs 240 pounds, but the others are of ordinary weight.

Mme. Ouellette is five feet nine inches in height. Her waist measures 36 inches of tape to encircle her arm. She is a modest eater and attends to her own household duties.

A few years ago she traveled in the show business and visited nearly every state in the union. She received flattering offers to go abroad, but preferred to remain within reaching distance of her children. Last summer she started on a tour of the New England states with the Laferrieres, midgits, of this city, but subsequently went to Chicago, where she remained until the close of the summer season. She states that she will travel no more, but will remain at her home in this city where she is comfortably located. She tells many interesting stories of her experiences on the road and one of the most amusing occurred while she was filling an engagement at the Stone theatre in Boston. The entrance to the stage was very narrow, and Madame Ouellette, in a sudden attempt to turn around in the passageway became wedged between the walls, and in order to extricate her from her embarrassing and tiresome position, it was necessary to get a gang of men at work with axes and saws to tear down the partition. Fortunately she was not injured and was able to appear on the

## LYNN BOY BADLY BURNED

JOHN BOYLE'S MOTHER ALSO INJURED TRYING TO EXTINGUISH FLAMES IN THEIR HOME

LYNN, Dec. 26.—In extinguishing flames which consumed part of the clothing of her 3-year-old son John, and badly burned his back and legs, Mrs. John Boyle of 155 Lawton avenue was painfully burned last night at her home. Both of her hands and her forearms were burned, but she refused to let her son be removed to a police ambulance. She was treated at her home by Dr. Hoit.

The boy went to the basement with a kerosene lamp, which in some manner overturned, causing his clothing to ignite. His screams brought his mother to the basement and she tried to smother the flames with her hands. The boy's burns although serious, are not considered dangerous.

A delightful time is promised at the New Year's Eve party at the Richardson hotel. Make your reservations now. Telephone, 106.

Fred C. Church carried insurance on the building in the name of A. E. O'Neil, Hurd street, damaged by fire last night.

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## THE DOMINICAN MINISTER

SENOR ENRIQUE JIMENEZ PAYS FIRST OFFICIAL VISIT TO UNITED STATES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Senor Enrique Jimenez, the new Dominican minister to the United States, is here today for the first official act which is to call on the secretary of state and later to present his credentials as Dominican minister.

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# 20 SAVED FROM SUICIDE

By Coroner Hoffman's Plan of Placing on Coroner's Juries Only Those Who are in Need

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—More than 20 men have been saved from suicide by coroner Peter M. Hoffman's plan of placing on coroner's juries only those who are in need, it was learned today from a report on the scheme since it was put in effect Sept. 1. In three months 7320 men who were out of employment sat on juries and collected \$320 in fees. The line of applicants at the coroner's office some days contains 300.

## CHRISTMAS MAIL

Greatest Volume Ever Handled Locally—The Rush is Still on

There was no rest yesterday for the clerks, carriers and other employees of the Lowell postoffice as the usually large volume of mail matter handled each Christmas was this year about 90 per cent. greater than ever before. While the majority of Lowell citizens are enjoying themselves in various ways yesterday and the night before, the entire force at the postoffice was busy receiving and distributing mail of all descriptions. They will also be busy today and for a few days to come handling the Christmas mail which continues to flow into this city in large volumes.

Postmaster Robert J. Crowley was as busy as any of his subordinates. The office was open until 11 o'clock Christmas eve and the postmaster was his desk yesterday with the exception of a few hours spent at his home. Today he expressed himself as fully satisfied with the way in which the mass of mail was handled locally and said that not one complaint had been made to him in regard to the service given.

"Every package of parcel post matter and every letter received at this office previous to 11 o'clock the night

before Christmas was despatched to other cities for delivery before we closed," said the postmaster. "We had every available man at work and also took advantage of the statute allowing us to work carriers and clerks more than eight hours a day during the Christmas season. I am sure that everyone at the office showed in helping to handle this year's Christmas mail, the greatest that the local postoffice has ever been called upon to handle, and the men certainly have my thanks."

The postmaster also paid a tribute to the carriers saying that they mailed their gifts earlier than ever before. This avoided a great overflow of mail at one time and enabled the clerks and other employees to work steadily without being hampered by a sudden great rush and then a let-down.

The new system of pre-cancelling a large number of stamps before selling them to patrons met with great favor and permitted the mail to be despatched in about half the time required formerly. This was appreciated by all the employees at the office as well as the recipients of the gifts, who received as good service as could be given them under ordinary circumstances.

Yesterday over 10,000 parcel post packages were delivered in this city by the auto trucks, teams and carriers. The number of post cards delivered was increased to about 20,000, while thousands of letters were also sent at homes by carriers. It is expected that the business will be equal to as heavy today and it is probable that the rush will not decrease until Monday or Tuesday of next week. All week the number of parcel post packages delivered has not been less than

# WELKER COCHRAN, NEWSBOY BILLIARDIST, IS EXPECTED TO MEET WILLIE HOPPE SOON



WELKER COCHRAN

Welker Cochran, the Chicago newsboy billiardist who has been playing in the Champion Billiard Players' league tournament, is regarded as a competitor with whom Willie Hoppe, the champion, will have to contend before long. Cochran is only sixteen years old, but he has shown championship form. He did not make much of a record with the league tournament, but that was because he played on a different table each night, and his skill has been gained by playing on a table that is mechanically perfect. He has not had the experience that the other players in the league have had, and this worked against him in the

8000, practically doubling last year's business.

That postoffices in other parts of the country have been "choked" by the great rush is evident by the large amount of mail being received at the office today. Late last night, 142 sacks of parcel post matter were received at the local office and it will require the full capacity of men to distribute this mail, together with what will arrive today.

A contract for the installation of an inter-communicative telephone at the local postoffice has been awarded to Turke & Parker of this city and it is expected that work will be started about the first of the new year. The inside telephone at the office now has been in use for over 20 years and is usually out of commission so the postoffice department at Washington called for bids for the installation of a new system which will be up-to-date in every way. There will be nine phones installed so that Postmaster Crowley

may be able to communicate with any of the nine departments from his desk on the second floor.

## PLANS ARE COMPLETED

FOR ANNUAL REUNION OF THE ALUMNI OF ST. PATRICK'S BOYS SCHOOL

Plans have been completed for the coming reunion of the alumni of St. Patrick's Boys' school, which will be held in the school hall, next Wednesday evening and the affair promises to be the most imposing in the history of the association.

Rev. Brother Osmund, C. F. X., superior of the school, Richard J. McCluskey, M. D., president of the society, and Edward J. Flannery, secretary, have charge of the arrangements.

John J. Flaherty, Esq., '99, will be the toastmaster. Addresses will be made by Rev. Augustine F. Hickey, of the Cathedral, Boston, supervisor of parochial schools; Rev. Thos. F. Reynolds, of Somerville, a former pupil; Rev. Brother Benedict, C. F. X., a former teacher; Hon. John F. Fitzgerald, of Boston, and John F. Miskell, representing the class of 1914.

The guests will include Rt. Rev. Mgr. William O'Brien, permanent rector of St. Patrick's church, and his assistants; Mayor Murphy, the faculty of the school and former teachers who are now laboring in other fields. When Rev. Bro. Osmund was appointed director of St. Patrick's school in 1908 he was quick to note the many zealous and upright men in St. Patrick's parish and the great power for good they would prove if properly organized. With the consent and approval of the pastor an alumni association was organized. The first reunion and banquet were held on Dec. 20, 1909. The Association has been a success

## ATHLETES AND ATHLETICS

It looks as though the polo league which has held sway in New England for the past several years is about to give to many an interested spectator a season and the promoters are having hard sledding.

The Ottawa hockey seven defeated Dartmouth last night in one of the fastest ice matches ever played in Boston. The game went to an overtime period with the score 2-2. The Canadians shot the puck through, however, for the winning goal.

A younger brother of Leach Cross, the "youngster" we presume is superfluous, started on a ring career last night and started in the right way. Marty, as he is called, knocked his opponent more than a little in the first round and when the bell rang for the second verse Mr. Opponent couldn't be found.

Speaking of Kid Williams reminds one that the Boston champion had the better of much of his own way yesterday afternoon in his mixup with Johnny Daly in a New York ring. The Metropolitan whirlwind did not look very well when Williams' short jabs began to sink into his ribs and kidneys, in fact he did well to last through the ten rounds.

The trade whereby Sherwood Magee was transferred to the Braves' roster was a master stroke for O. B. Magee was all ready to jump to the outlaws when the Public management wanted him and decided to make the shift. Next season Magee will not be placed in the same position which he occupied last year relative to the management.

Dartmouth has another star athlete by the name of Donahue. Art Donahue is playing a wonderful game at football and on the hockey seven. His stopping yesterday was nothing short of marvelous on several occasions. It was not long ago the Joe Donahue of this city was making them all sit up and take notice with his feats as a member of the Dartmouth nine.

Alex Aberg twice pinned Michal-

off's shoulders to the mat last night but in spite of this fact the loser was given to any of the big wrestlers. Karl Lemle scored two falls on Mort Henderson in the other match. Fritz Hansen, who has wrestled many times here and Crack-a-Jack Butler would each other for thirty minutes without either securing a fall.

Matchmaker Crilly has not yet given up hopes of landing Kid Williams for a bout in Lawrence. The bantam-weight champion would meet the New Bedford heavyweight if he came to the river town. From the showing that Shubert made last night there are many who think that the battle would be a close one. The proposed Williams-Shubert match would be held in the armory where some 3000 fans would be able to see the go.

Al Shubert once more proved that he is no false alarm in his division when he gave Jimmy Taylor of New York a sound thrashing at Lawrence last night. The bout was enjoyed by many local fans. Taylor is the boy who defeated Frankie Daly a few days ago and who was expected to be much superior to Daly. He showed nothing but grit and nerve last night and Shubert would not be denied and carried the fight to the New Yorker from start to finish. The fight was stopped in the 11th.

They say that Frankie Fleming, Canada's featherweight champion, has invited a boxing contest which will give a good fight against cauliflower ears. Wonder how many boxers will have any use for them. During the days that they spend collecting for decorations and other tokens of the ring they are usually of the "pork and beans" variety and very few boxers rise very far in the pugilistic world without first becoming battle hardened. Still the new helmet may be a success. Perfumery and pink ribbons may be added also.

George Stallings should make a better ball player out of Magee than he was last season or at any previous stage of his career. Magee has been "in" on more occasions than one but Stallings should be able to handle the slugger in fine style. The Braves' manager never lays down to a player and is always boss of his ball club but at the same time he is never "crabbing" against his men at any all fit up and take notice with his feats as a member of the Dartmouth nine.

Christmas celebration yearly. A few weeks ago Mrs. Calise conducted a cake sale at the store of the A. G. F. and the sale netted over \$35.

Of course this sum of money was not sufficiently large to purchase gifts for three hundred children and all that remained to be done was for the organizer of the celebration to go out and get more money and this she did with flattering results, for over \$125 was spent in purchasing toys and clothing. At the close of the celebration yesterday, Mrs. Calise was the object of a reception in the course of which the children showered her with thanks and kind greetings. She was also warmly congratulated by the sisters of the institution as well as by the pastor of the parish, Rev. Dr. J. H. Racette, O. M. L. and Rev. Armand Haron, O. M. L., who were present at the jollifications.

## THE FRENCH ORPHANAGE

MRS. GEORGE E. CAISES AGAIN PROVES BENEFACTRESS OF THE INSTITUTION

Although Christmas tree celebrations were held in practically every institution and home of the city yesterday it is fair to assume there was no happier gathering of boys and girls than the three hundred or more children at the French-American orphanage in Pawtucket street. Of course there was a reason and that was that Santa Claus paid his annual visit to the prosperous institution, and according to the greetings he received, he was a welcome visitor.

Santa Claus, impersonated by Dr. George E. Calise, arrived at the orphanage at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and his arrival was greeted with cheers and words of welcome. The distinguished visitor was ushered into the assembly hall, followed by the three hundred boys and girls, and upon entering the large apartment he disclosed a huge Christmas tree, laden with gifts of all descriptions, and which had been prettily decorated.

The children assembled around Santa Claus and for over one hour the "old gentleman" was kept busy stripping the tree and distributing the gifts, which consisted of wearing apparel and toys. Needless to say many a little heart was made happy, for each child received several toys and a number of wearing effects that made his or her little heart thump with joy.

At the conclusion of the distribution Santa Claus was ushered to his seat and a most entertaining musical and literary program was carried out by the talent of the institution, the numbers consisting of vocal selections, recitations and chorus singing. The program having been prepared under the able direction of the sisters in charge of the home. The affair was private and proved one of the most successful ever held.

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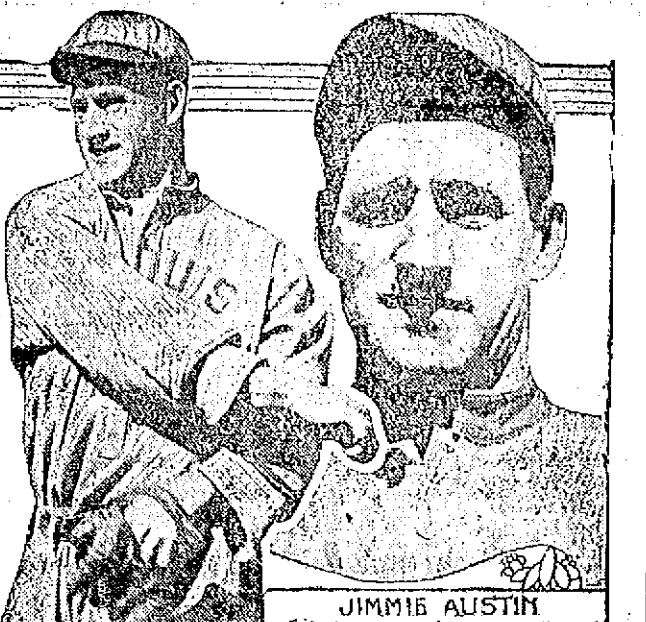
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JIMMIE AUSTIN

man of the St. Louis American league club, to play for the local Federals. Austin, Oakes says, has signed a two year contract. George Stallings took Austin to New York in 1909 for the Omaha Western league club, and he was immediately sworn in as the regular Yankee third baseman and proved no mean one either. Moreover, Jimmy and Frank Laporte intended to stick with Stallings during the big split in 1910, and the following winter Chase sent this pair to St. Louis in exchange for Roy Hartzell. It was an even trade, Hartzell for Austin, but the deal gave St. Louis permission to also buy Laporte. After Stival was discharged as manager of the Browns in 1913 Austin acted as temporary manager until Riskey could take charge of the team. He has been captain of the team for several seasons and was very strong with the Browns' fans. In the six years in the American league Austin has hit as follows: 1909, 124 games, 235; 1910, 135 games, 218; 1911, 148 games, 261; 1912, 149 games, 282; 1913, 142 games, 273; 1914, 130 games, 234.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 22.—Manager E. T. Oakes of the Pittsburgh Federal league baseball club announces that he has signed James Austin, third base-



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## SEVERAL SMALL FIRES

## FIRE IN LODGING HOUSE ON HURD ST.—CHRISTMAS TREE CAUGHT FIRE

A blazing fire in a lodging house at 19 Hurd street, called out the members of the Fire Department at 5 o'clock yesterday and the firemen arrived to find a small fire in the Christmas tree which had caught fire and was burning. The fire was quickly extinguished. A telephone call brought a portion of the fire department to the scene and the fire was thrown from the window into an alley where it was quickly extinguished. Little damage was done, except to the bed.

## Christmas Tree Caught Fire

During a Christmas tree celebration at 14 Charles street, late Thursday night, the tree caught fire and it was necessary to summon a portion of the fire department. The blaze was quickly extinguished with the damage confined to the tree.

## THE DAY AFTER XMAS

Sour Stomach, Wind in the Stomach, Belching, Heartburn, Nausea.

Few people nowadays can eat the hearty Christmas dinner, turkey, dressing, mince pie, plum pudding, and other "indigestibles" so-called, and not suffer before long from some distress or discomfort of the digestive organs. This is one of the reasons why most people should get a box of Dyp-pep-lets after the Christmas feast and take a few of these delicious tablets, which are giving so much satisfaction in promptly relieving stomach troubles.

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ced to the tree and a few presents. The automatic fire alarm at 35 Barry street sounded at 11:07 o'clock yesterday and the firemen arrived to find a small fire in the Christmas tree which had caught fire and was burning. The fire was quickly extinguished. A telephone call brought a portion of the fire department to the scene and the fire was thrown from the window into an alley where it was quickly extinguished. Little damage was done, except to the bed.

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**RECEIVED PURSE**  
Rev. and Mrs. Earl Pittenger of the Centralville St. E. church were presented with a gold purse by the parishioners of the church at the annual Christmas tree celebration. Santa Claus attended the observance and distributed presents from a large tree giving each child a bag of candy. A pleasing entertainment followed.

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## AMUSEMENT NOTES

## OPERA HOUSE

The exceptionally strong holiday bill given at the Opera House during the last three days of the week will close with today's performance. Although the different vaudeville performances will appear in different sections from those given during the week at the big Sunday matinee tomorrow. The holiday entertainments under the change of policy at the Opera House have proven a big success, the exceptional program offered having caught the popular fancy. At tomorrow's entertainment there will be 10 big vaudeville acts and five reels of motion pictures. Among the entertainers will be the big Melody Boys, one of the week's biggest hits will appear again in new songs. The members of the "Fun in Vaudeville" company, 5 women and 3 comedians, will also appear in musical numbers while Sam Barber, the coon with the educated feet and merry talk will entertain as will Alvin and Company. In addition to these there will be five other vaudeville acts, and also the new reels of new first-run pictures, each from different film-makers, and representing the dream of the producers of the future. The matinee performance will be at 2 o'clock and the evening performance at 7:15, and there will be no change in prices. The management desires to assure the public that its Sunday programs are in keeping with the day and that nothing vulgar or coarse is tolerated.

## B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

"Knight and Day," a comedy written on perfectly natural lines and with much honest humor in it, will be the feature of the big bill at the B. F. Keith theatre, next week. Realizing that local audiences enjoy real humor, served in flawless manner, the management has secured John R. Gordon, who is the author of the piece, and plays one of the leading character parts in it. In writing the play Mr. Gordon struck a new note in the domestic difficulties of two men, named Knight and Day, who are utterly dissimilar in manner and appearance, but when it turns out are very much alike in the things they like and dislike. The comedy is very much a tangled thing at the outset, but at the end playing of the persons in it proceeds in a most beautiful manner. Mr. Gordon is cast for the part of Mr. Day, while C. H. McInerney, an erstwhile football star, has the role of Mr. Knight. Other members of the cast are Blith Belmont and Anne Hamilton. Fritz Bruch, a virtuoso of the cello, and his orchestra will offer one of the most of musical turns seen at this theatre in a long time. Mr. Bruch was born in Germany and was educated in that country. His debut was made when he was very young, and he has played in many of the musical centres of Europe. Notwithstanding the fact that he has gathered unto himself so many positive triumphs, he is a singularly unaffected player, with a graceful and easy manner, and with

a very real poetic appreciation. His tone is warm and clear, his bowing graceful and he plays with a simplicity of manner which is thoroughly likable. His concert pieces are many, although while in this city he will play the Goda Barcarole from "Tosca," "Mighty Lak a Rose" by Nevin, Rubenstein's Melodie in F, Haendel's Hungarian Rhapsody and several of the Brahms Hungarian dances. He will be assisted in his program by his sister, who is an accomplished violinist. Vaudeville touches all of the different points which make an interesting and the third number on the list will be given by Sam Barton, a pantomimic comedian, whose troubles with his wheel are manifold and yet who is sure to make a lot of fun. Barton does hair-raising stunts in an off-hand manner. Should he some day determine to work exclusively on a bicycle he would undoubtedly outstrip many of those who now wear many medals. For the present Sam is content with the making of laughter. The Kaufman Brothers, Jack and Phil, put forward an act which is usually classified as "song and dance." True, they sing and they dance, but they do what they do so very well that their turn is lifted out of mere routine and always becomes a great favorite on any bill. The brothers possess excellent voices, which they use in the singing of the most recent hits of comedy songs. The best known pair of colored entertainers in vaudeville is the Kemps, a man and a woman, who, although they have appeared here, are guaranteed to make a lot of laughter. Seymour's Happy family of trained dogs is a splendid combination for the entertainment of children, and L. S. and Raymond are boy performers who will present something in the nature of a surprise. The Hearst-Solic News Pictorial views, many of which have been taken at actual risk of life near the fighting lines in Europe, will be shown. Good seats for all performances may be obtained in advance at the box office. Phone 25.

## MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

There is scarcely anyone in this broad land who has not either heard or read of the best New England story ever told. "Quincy Adams Sawyer" is a story of a man who was a country road to Mason's Corner in a one-horse stage. These same people are familiar with the words that have appeared beneath that picture on the bill boards, or in the book stores, or in the columns of the newspapers. "The village gossip" wondered who he was, and why, what he came for and how long he intended to stay. It was presented in Lowell some time ago and the enormous success with which it was met together with hundreds of requests from patrons for its revival led Manager McKay to arrange for its presentation on the coming week by the Merrimack Square Theatre Stock Co. "Quincy Adams Sawyer" is unique. Its telling qualities are found in its entire freedom from stage conventions. There is no erasing girl, no overacting on the part of the actors, waiting and no villain. Its strength is by no means sacrificed by its abandonment of familiar stage expedients. For there are substituted characters that are real motives, that are natural and a development of interest that holds because it appeals by its strong humanity. The plot is laid distinctly on comedy lines and there is almost a continuous laugh from beginning to end. The characters are all real, living people and the principal ones will be played by Frances Shannon who will be seen as "Alice," the blind girl, Sam McInerney, who will essay the title role, that of "Quincy Adams Sawyer," Eugene Desmond, who will no doubt create a lot of laughter as "Hiram Maxwell," Dorothy Arkle who returns to the cast as "Mandy Hawkins," Wm. B. Freeman who will be seen as "Obediah Stoughton," and Ida Marie Rogers as "Sammy." The other well known roles in the play have all been allotted to members with regards to their fitness for that particular part and an elaborate scenic production arranged by Wm. H. Dinwiddie has also been looked after. It is a most entertaining picture of rural life and will be presented on quite a different plan from any other burlesque drama. It will be given on the stage daily all next week and on the coming Monday (Thursday) and evening every lady holding reserved seat will be given free an autographed photograph of Miss Sadie Galloppe. Tomorrow's program will be here. See other notice.

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## PHILIPINOS ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF SEDITION

### 10,000 Filipinos Planned Concerted Attack on Fort Santiago—Further Arrests Expected

MANILA, Dec. 26.—Eight Filipinos have been arrested on the charge of sedition as the result of an abortive rising in Manila and its environs Thursday night. Further arrests are probable.

A general warning was sent to all officers on Thursday afternoon saying that fully 10,000 Filipinos in Manila alone were ready for a concerted attack on Fort Santiago in the quarter of the city where the military depot is located. The military units were immediately prepared and a strict patrol was started at dusk.

Conspiracy agents who are members of the secret societies disclosed the plans for an uprising, thus enabling a force of constabulary and police to disperse gatherings at Bagumbayan, Paco and Navotas, near Malabon. At Calabcan a squad of American soldiers seized a group of Filipinos who were gathered and using the chairs as weapons routed the Filipinos, of whom quite a number were injured.

The rising was evidently poorly organized and lacked leaders. It was composed for the most part of persons implicitly trusting the word of Artemio Ricarte, a revolutionary who conducts a continual propaganda from Hong Kong, to which place he was banished.

By the American authorities some time ago. Ricarte it is stated, advised that the attempt be made on Christmas eve, when the American officers would be expected to celebrate the holiday. The reports from the provinces tell of minor uprisings and occasional violence but details from these sections are lacking.

The situation today from all appearances and according to official statements is well under control of the military authorities.

Governor General Francis Burton Harrison happens to be away on an official visit and Winifred T. Denison, secretary of the interior, is in charge of affairs pending Mr. Harrison's return.

The foreign chamber of commerce supported by the Filipino body has issued a public protest against the legislative adoption of the amendment to the internal revenue law imposing additional taxes. The measure was introduced on the eve of the Christmas recess and was passed without giving the merchants an opportunity to express their opinions regarding it. Representations from the chamber of commerce regarding the new law, it is announced, are to go today to Secretary of War Garrison asking him to secure President Wilson's intervention in the matter.

## GERMANS DEFEATED BY RUSSIANS IN POLAND

PETROGRAD, Dec. 25, via London, Dec. 25, 12:37 a. m.—The following official bulletin was issued from general headquarters last night:

"There has been no change on the left bank of the Vistula or in Galicia. The Germans delivered attacks on the day and night of Dec. 24, principally in the districts of Sochaczew and Bolnow, but all were repulsed with great loss to the enemy. Fighting continues on the banks of the Pilica."

Russian successes have been reported officially from the battle front before Warsaw and from that around Cracow, but without materially changing the general situation in these regions. Especially vicious attacks have been made by the Germans between Pinczow, 40 miles northeast of Cracow, and Nowemisto Korosyn, at the junction of the Nida and Vistula rivers.

In this place the Austrians limited

the tactics of the Germans and tried to force a passage of sheer weight of numbers. Time after time they advanced in solid formation against the Russian front in the face of heavy artillery fire. The result after two days' fighting—Dec. 22 and 23—was the capture by the Russians of nearly 5,000 prisoners, including half a hundred officers, and the retention by the Russians of the left bank of the Nida, where they are strongly entrenched.

The combatants here are old enemies. Three months ago the same Austrian troops opposed the first Russian advance on Cracow.

To the north the Russians are holding their own and are inflicting severe punishment on the Germans.

FEATURES OF LAST NIGHT'S EUROPEAN WAR NEWS IN BRIEF FORM

German aeroplane reaches Sheerness, 34 miles from London; machine hit by

British airmen in battle aloft, but escaped.

Allies make slight gains in front of Neuport, Belgium.

French capture part of village of La Boisselle near Albert, and a wood near Mesnil-le-Huc, and gain at many other points.

Germans declare they have taken Luxembourg, held by Germans, has asked Swiss to propose separate peace to France, it is reported.

Russians hold their ground and inflict severe loss on attacking Germans, 30 miles from Warsaw.

Turkish official statement announces a decisive victory over Russians on border of Transcaucasia.

Japanese diet dissolved by emperor for refusing to sanction increase of army.

Dr. Liebnicht, socialist, who protested in Reichstag against the war has been put into the army instead of being tried for treason.

## TURKS ATTACK CREW OF AMERICAN SHIP

### U. S. Cruiser Threatens to She Turkish Port—Italy May Enter War—French Submarine Sunk

Dombardment by an American cruiser of the Turkish port of Tripoli is said at Athens to have been threatened because of an attack by Turks on the crew of an American merchantman on which British and French citizens desired to depart. The incomplete reports received from Athens state that the threat of the warship's commander quelled the attack. The cruiser Tennessee has been in the eastern Mediterranean for several months and was last reported not far from Tripoli.

Italy's occupation of the Albanian port of Avlona was believed to open up possibilities of complications, which might make it difficult for the Italian government to maintain its neutrality. The attitude of Rumania, also, was more than ever a matter of doubt, on account of reports from Paris that the only obstacle which prevented her from joining with the Tripoli Entente had been removed. Bulgaria was represented as having given assurances that she would remain neutral, relieving Rumania from the fear of an attack from that quarter should she enter the war.

Despatches from Chile stated that the last of winter, the German's Pacific squadron was fighting to escape the fate which overtook her four companion cruisers when they met the British. The German cruiser Dresden, with the converted cruiser Elzevriederich were said to have been engaged by the British cruiser Newcastle, near Valparaiso.

The Italian press states, according to the Matin, that a French submarine belonging to the fleet of Vice Admiral La Peyrere has been sunk while attempting to torpedo Austrian battleships in the Austrian naval base of Pola. The crew it is stated were rescued and taken prisoners.

the sea front to witness the affair. Later three British aeroplanes tried to outflank the German machine, the latter was flying too fast and disappeared to the eastward.

The weather has been clear on the sea front, but there has been a dropping of any bombs.

The war office issued the following official statement last night on the attack:

"A hostile aeroplane was sighted on day at 12.55. It was flying very high from east to west over Sheerness. British aircraft went up in pursuit and engaged the enemy, who after a big fight, or four times was driven off seaward."

Sheerness is on the Isle of Sheppey, Kent, facing the broad estuary of the Thames river, and 34 miles east London and about the same distance northwest of Dover.

THE RUSSIAN IMPERIAL FAMILY LEAVES WARSAW—DEPART FOR FRONT

WARSAW, Dec. 25.—The Russian imperial family who have been here for several days departed this evening for the front. The emperor and the empress Alexandra left for the front with their two daughters and two sons.

Today the imperial guests visited several hospitals and the emperor inspected the military school. At the Kremlin palace the emperor received several delegations.

TAX ON ALL UNMARRIED PERSONS OVER 27 IN BRUSSELS—INDENTURE PASSED OVER

PARIS, Dec. 25.—German proclamation announcing a levy of 500,000 francs indemnity at Brussels has been passed over, says the Journal and the report is current that the measure was withdrawn by the German government as the result of representations by the American ambassador, W. J. Bryan through the British minister, Lord Curzon, pointing out that the tax was in violation of the Hague convention.

It is announced that the German have imposed a tax of 25 francs on all unmarried persons over 27 years of age in Brussels.

## FAMILY REUNION

### Held by Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Copp of Billerica a Happy Gathering

A very happy family reunion was held yesterday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Copp of Colgate street, North Billerica, when the members of the family assembled for the first time in 12 years, so widely have they been separated since that time. It is needless to say that the gathering was one of the most enjoyable of the many held on Christmas day and the informal program carried out was much enjoyed by all.

Mr. Charles E. Copp, who is 66 years of age, is foreman of the painting department of the Boston & Maine repair shops, having moved from Concord, N. H., to Billerica last April. For over 44 years Mr. Copp has been connected with the C. & M. company, having worked as traveling master painter of the road for 12 years besides serving in shops in Lawrence, Concord and Billerica. Annually, Mr. Copp attends the conventions of the Master Car and Locomotive Painters' association of the United States and Canada. He served as president of this association for three years and presided over four conventions.

Three sons and three daughters were born to Mr. Copp in the city of Lawrence, where he resided for 25 years. All attended the reunion yesterday and the grandchildren were also present. Mrs. George Copp, mother of the host, was drawing and designing at the Milwaukee school of trades in Illinois, attended the reunion and she will probably remain with her parents for a few days before returning to her duties. A son, Arthur W. Copp, was graduated from West Point in 1905 and attended the last family reunion while on a furlough. He served as lieutenant in the army for three years, resigning to take up construction work. He is at present superintendent of construction of the new Equitable building in New York city, being employed by the General Building company, architect, William Burghese, of New York.

Another son, Harry N. Copp, is assisting his brother. Both Messrs. Arthur and Harry were accompanied by their wives.

Among the other members of the family who attended were: Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Copp and wife of Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Nash of Philadelphia, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Jones of West Roxbury, a sister-in-law, Miss Agnes Bonney, of Portland, Ore., was also present.

At noon all gathered around the festive board and after enjoying a Christmas dinner the afternoon was spent in singing and chatter.

REPORT OF DEATHS

Dec. 26. 26 Elgin B. Melvin, 64, exposure. 17 James B. Thompson, 85, cer. hemorrhage. 18 Michael J. Manning, 38, lob. pneumonia. Elizabeth Rhodes, 71, carcinoma of rectum. John Blackburn, 55, arthritis. 13, Patrick J. Fitzgerald, 56, disease of heart. 14, J. Scholfield, 65, cer. softening. Catherine Gray, 26, infantile. Helen Hennessey, 3, bronchopneumonia. Woodworth V. Palmer, 57, epilepsy. 20, Nicholas Schramm, 28, homicide. Alice Demers, 41, tetanus. 21, Alice Toulon, 2, diphtheria. 22, John H. Searles, 1, tub. meningitis. Robert J. Lynch, 55, uremic coma. John J. Delaney, 48, endocarditis. 10, Joseph Giguere, 1, surgical shock. Michael Ashworth, 65, cer. hemorrhage. 23, Wm. W. Kelly, 67, disease of heart. 24, Leo Milette, 19 m., bronchopneumonia. 25, Beltha E. Niles, 30, intestinal obstruction. Margaret Greene, 47, lob. pneumonia. Catherine B. Thynne, 74, heart disease. 26, Joseph Wilde, 77, lob. pneumonia. Michael J. McManis, 44, enteritis. 27, John Ambrose, 16 days, marasmus. Stephen Flynn, City Clerk.

## ITALIANS ARE IN ALBANIA

### SAILORS LAND AT AVLONA WHERE TURKS HAD RAISED THEIR FLAG IN DEFIANCE OF POWERS

ROME, Dec. 26.—A company of Italian sailors yesterday occupied Avlona, a seaport of Albania on the Adriatic sea.

Recent despatches from Athens, by way of Paris, said that a Turkish regiment at Avlona and that the region around the Albanian seaport was a prey to civil war. Partisans of Kemal Bey last month forced the government to haul down the Turkish flag and hoist the Albanian colors.

Legend Taylor, the commander-in-chief of the Turkish forces in Albania, then sent 500 soldiers to Avlona and they disarmed the inhabitants and restored the Turkish flag.

Italian naval forces occupied Avlona Oct. 26, but the expedition was in the nature of a relief and sanitary organization which was supposed to aid the large population that had taken refuge in the city to escape the persecutions of the insurgents.

Everything was done by the Italian government to remove from the expedition anythingavoring of political or territorial occupation. Pains were taken to show that the steps taken by Italy were merely for the purpose of seeing that the decision of the London conference creating an autonomous Albania was carried out.

GENERAL MILES COMING

WILL BE THE PRINCIPAL SPEAKER AT THE BOARD OF TRADE MILITARY NIGHT AT ARMOY

Major-General Nelson A. Miles has accepted the invitation to be the principal speaker at the military night of the board of trade which will be conducted at the state armory in Westford street on the evening of Jan. 5.

At the last meeting of the committee in charge of the event it was decided to have a speaker of wide prominence give a talk on military affairs, and at the suggestion of Major Colby T. Kittredge, the board of trade sent an invitation to Major-General Miles.

As soon as Major Kittredge was notified of the coming of Gen. Miles he made arrangements to have Taylor's 8th Regiment band and the four local companies escort the visitor to the armory on the evening of the event.

FROM RUINED CITIES

REPRESENTATIVES FROM DEVASTATED CITIES MAY ATTEND PANAMA EXPOSITION

PARIS, Dec. 26.—Senator Pierre Gaimet, says the Petit Journal, urges sending to the Panama exposition at the San Francisco representative of the ruined cities of France, Lille, Rheims and Arras and also of Liege and Louvain, in Belgium.

"They could on their return," he says, "tell their fellow citizens a marvelous story of that great city which was destroyed ten years ago and has since reconquered a prosperity greater than ever. What an example! What encouragement! What hope!"

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## WELL KNOWN NOVELIST

### RALPH CONNOR, OF CANADA, GOING TO THE FRONT AS CHAPLAIN



RALPH CONNOR

Ralph Connor, the well known Canadian novelist, whose "Sky Pilot," "The Man From Glenary," and other books have been widely read, is going to the front about the first of the year as senior chaplain with the Seventy-ninth Canadian Highlanders, a crack Canadian regiment. Before the new year is a week old the Rev. Dr. Chas. W. Gordon, for that is his real name, will be on the ocean with the regiment bound for England with the second contingent of Canadian troops. He has been eager to go, especially as he has just finished his new book, "The Patrol of the Sun Dunes Trail," in which he has been working for two years. Dr. Gordon was born in the Canadian forests. His father, a pure Highlander, was a clergyman too.

Christmas sweet cider. Boyle Bros.

TALK ON TUBERCULOSIS

WOMEN'S CLUB HAS ARRANGED FOR A LECTURE BY DR. ELLIOTT WASHINGTON OF IUTLAND

Acting for the civics committee of the Middlesex Women's club, Mrs. A. Van Sturges, chairman, has secured the services of Dr. Elliott Washington, superintendent of the Rutland State sanitarium to lecture on tuberculosis in this city Tuesday, Dec. 29. The lecture will be in Colonial hall at 7.45 p. m., and is open to the public which will be admitted without charge. This free lecture is in connection with the educational campaign against tuberculosis now being conducted by the civics department of the Women's club, aided with other societies.

Because of the prevalence of Rutland as a health resort for those afflicted with tuberculosis, Dr. Elliott Washington, the head of the noted sanitarium, ought to prove a strong drawing card. He is an undoubted authority on his subject and it is to be hoped that the Lowell public will attend in large numbers.

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## LOCAL RED CROSS

### Holds an Exhibition of Completed Work and Plans for Future

An exhibition of work completed by the energetic workers of the Lowell branch of the Red Cross has been arranged today in one of the large show windows of the Chalfoux store. It in no way represents the great volume of garments and hangings sent abroad since the commencement of the activity, but it shows completed garments and hospital supplies that are typical of those that have been sent. The exhibition consists of pajamas, night-shirts, blanket wraps, and bandages of various kinds. It will undoubtedly attract a great deal of attention to the line results achieved by the Red Cross society in this city and will serve as a stimulus to others to aid in the good work.

In another section of the window is displayed knitted goods made by volunteer workers for the allied armies and the Belgians. This is distinct from the Red Cross, though the motive behind it is the same. The Red Cross products go to the suffering of all the powers while the knitted work is specifically for the allies and the Belgians.

The Red Cross society has been obliged to abandon its headquarters temporarily as the rooms have been used for other purposes, but commencing January 1st work will be resumed in the Rutland building, to continue thereafter on Monday and Tuesday every week. In the meantime those who may wish to work for the Red Cross will be supplied with materials on application to Miss Ruth Burke, 216 Nesmith street. Work will be continued so long as funds hold out. At present the treasury is rather depleted, but it is hoped the voluntary contributions will enable the society to continue what it has begun so well.

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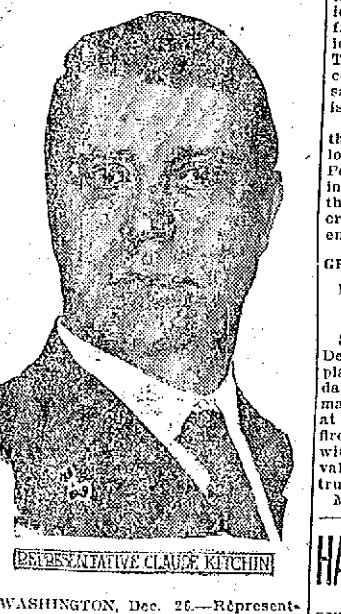
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## REP. CLAUDE KITCHIN

### NORTH CAROLINA MAN TO BE MAJORITY LEADER IN NEXT CONGRESS



REPRESENTATIVE CLAUDE KITCHIN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Representative Claude Kitchin of North Carolina will be the majority leader of the next house. He will succeed Representative Underwood, who goes to the senate. This understanding was reached when Representative Finis J. Garrett of Tennessee, who was out for Mr. Underwood's position, formally withdrew.

Mr. Kitchin is a native of North Carolina, having been born near Scotland Neck on March 24, 1859. He was admitted to the bar in 1890. He never held public office until elected to the Fifty-seventh congress. He has served in congress ever since.

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### ONLY LIVING PUPIL OF ILL-EATED URSULINE CONVENT VISITED BY CARDINAL

His Eminence, Cardinal O'Connell, paid a most interesting visit on Monday of this week to Mrs. Rebecca Warren, the only living pupil of the ill-fated Ursuline convent, of Mount St. Benedict, in Charlestown, says the Boston Herald. Mrs. Warren, a native of Billerica, is still very active and in full possession of her faculties. She told His Eminence of her school days under the good sisters back in 1821, and showed him with pride and pleasure a silver medal she won in her studies, and a poem written by one of the sisters for a fete, in which she was queen.

The cardinal happened to meet Mrs. Warren through a rather unusual series of events. Several years ago, one of her Catholic servants who had been for some time ill at the Massachusetts General hospital, was finally pronounced incurable, and discharged. On application of Mrs. Warren's family, the Sisters of St. Elizabeth, both formerly the faithful servant in their hospital, where she spent her last days. After the servant's death, Mrs. Warren showed her grateful appreciation to the hospital by making a donation of \$500 for a bed.

His Eminence, on being apprised of this generous gift, wrote Mrs. Warren a letter of thanks and sent her a medal. Mrs. Warren at the time expressed a desire to meet the cardinal, but His Eminence was called abroad and the meeting did not take place.

This summer the cardinal met Mrs. Warren's grand-nephew, Mr. George Holden Thibault. He told His Eminence of his grand-nephew's constant desire to meet him and the cardinal promised on his return to pay Mrs. Warren a visit. At last, this week, His Eminence found the time from his many labors to visit the only living pupil of Mount St. Benedict at her home in Hotel Bristol, Boston.

Mrs. Warren, who was Miss Bennett before her marriage, was born in Boston, but at the age of two years went with her parents to Billerica, where her father's house, Bennett Hall, still stands. She married early in life and has traveled extensively both here and abroad. Her memories extend over the greater part of a century, but among the brightest and pleasantest of them are the days she spent at the Ursuline convent.

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THE COLDEST YET

Mercury Goes to Twelve

Below in This City—Colder in Towns

Lowell people are today experiencing the coldest day of the year, following a Christmas afternoon and night that proved the most severe for several years. Everywhere complaints of the sudden change in the weather are being heard, persons finding it difficult to properly heat their homes while the same is true in many of the large buildings in the downtown section of the city.

Yesterday afternoon the mercury began to fall and before many hours it was hovering just a trifle above the zero mark. Late last night the needle descended below the zero mark and a minimum of seven below was recorded by the Locks & Canals, while reports from many of the suburbs showed that it was much colder in the country.

At the pumping station on the boulevard at 7 o'clock this morning the mercury registered 11 below. Merrimack square thermometers stood at six or seven below while the same was true in Central street. Persons residing in the outskirts of the city brought reports varying from six to twelve degrees under the zero mark.

In the towns surrounding Lowell, severe weather is being experienced. In Chelmsford the thermometer fell to 14 below, while in Billerica and Townsbury it was just two degrees higher.

In Lowell this morning stated that 25 below weather was being realized in North Andover.



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## FORMER LOWELL MAN CHOKED TO DEATH

John Feely, Who Died in Haverhill Restaurant When Meat Lodged in Throat

HAVERHILL, Dec. 26.—John Feely, who up to a short time ago conducted a shoe factory in Lowell under the firm name of the Feely & Adams Corporation, died today in a restaurant when a piece of steak he was attempting to swallow lodged in his throat. Mr. Feely died after five minutes of suffering.

## IN WEDDED BLISS

Dr. E. A. Cahill and Miss Margaret A. Teague Were Married Today

With the celebration of a nuptial mass attended by many of their relatives and friends, Dr. E. A. Cahill and Miss Margaret A. Teague were united in the bonds of wedlock at St. Columba's church this forenoon.

The popularity of the young couple made the event one of unusual interest. Dr. Cahill is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Cahill of High street. He is connected with the bureau of animal industry and a prominent veterinarian. The bride is the charming daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Patrick J. Teague, and a teacher of English at the Lowell high school. The nuptial mass was celebrated at 10 o'clock by Rev. John Sexton of Brighton seminary, assisted by Rev. Fr. Lagan, pastor, and Rev. John Walsh of Hollistonville.

The happy couple were attended by Mr. William F. Cahill, a brother of the groom, and Miss Gertrude E. Teague, a sister of the bride. The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion with laurel and holly, and as the bridal party entered the middle aisle, a brilliant concert orchestra played Lohengrin's wedding march. Following the official party came the relatives and friends of the young couple, and at the time the ceremony was started, the church was taxed to capacity. During the ceremony the orchestra gave several selections and the solos "Ave Maria" and "Ave Verum" were beautifully sustained by Miss Frances Tiche, Miss Katherine Wholey presided at the organ.

The bride was charmingly attired in a gown of white princess satin on train with pearl duchess lace and wore a Juliette cap and veil with pearls. She carried a large bouquet of orchids and lilies of the valley. The bridesmaid

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## SHOT WIFE AND SELF

CHRISTMAS NIGHT FURNISHED TRAGEDY IN NEW HAMPSHIRE TOWN

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 26.—Christmas night furnished a tragedy in Enfield, a small town in the northern part of the state, when Walter Laramie, a young farmer, shot his wife and himself while they were out driving. The thermometer at the time registered 32 degrees below zero. Both are at the Hanover hospital and their recovery is doubtful.

Jealousy caused the shooting, it is said.

**THE MUNICIPAL XMAS TREE**  
Mayor Murphy stated today that the Christmas tree exercises on the South common would not cost \$150. The hand men cut their price down from \$4.00 to \$2.50.

## MATRIMONIAL

Napoleon Nichol and Miss Emma Nichol were married this afternoon, the ceremony being performed at 4 o'clock at St. Joseph's rectory by Rev. L. A. Nolin, O. M. I. At the conclusion of the ceremony the couple repaired to the home of the bride, 5 Fulmouth street, where a reception was held.

**MARSHALL FIELD, BRD. TO MARRY**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Marshall Field, 3rd, of Chicago obtained a marriage license today to wed Miss Evelyn Marshall of this city. The application blank filed by Mr. Field gave his address as Oakland, Southampton, Eng., his age as 21, and that of his bride-to-be as 25.

According to the application the couple had not decided when or where the marriage ceremony would be performed nor who would officiate.

## \$125,000 LOSS CAUSED BY FIRE IN CHELSEA

Lumber Plant Swept by Fire Today—Chelsea, Boston and Everett Fire Departments Prevented the Flames From Sweeping Across the City

CHELSEA, Dec. 26.—The lumber plant of Pope & Cottle on Carter st., adjoining the main line of the eastern division of the Boston & Maine railroad, was swept by fire today with a loss of \$125,000. The local fire department, aided by firemen from Boston and Everett, prevented the flames from sweeping across the city, although a stiff northwest wind prevailed.

## MAYOR UNDER ARREST

Terre Haute Executive and Many Others Charged With Attempts to Corrupt Election

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 26.—Charged in indictments with attempts to corrupt the election on Nov. 3, last, in Terre Haute, Don C. Roberts, mayor of Terre Haute, and an announced candidate for the democratic nomination for governor in 1916 was taken into custody by United States Marshal Mark Storen at Terre Haute today. Roberts, accompanied by Judge Eli H. Redman of the Vigo circuit court, answered a summons and sought the marshal at his hotel.

The arrests this morning, 19 in number, bring the total taken into custody by the United States officials to 65, forty-six having been rounded up last night.

Arrests of the alleged "higher ups" in the alleged conspiracy to fix elections at Terre Haute featured this morning's work of United States deputy marshals who last night arrested 45 of the more than 100 men indicted as the result of the federal grand jury's investigation into the Terre Haute election of Nov. 3, 1914. The first of the more important men to be taken in was County Sheriff Dennis Shea, who voluntarily surrendered. At noon he was taken to the marshal's room where he was held.

In all 15 men had been arrested, or had voluntarily gone to the marshal's room before noon. Among those taken

in custody today were William Doyle, brother of Sylvester Doyle, acting chief of police, Dan Abbot and Nick Burton, saloonkeepers in the foreign section of the city; Charles Miller, a liveryman; Eno Harms, custodian of the city hall; Earl Harkness, a bartender; Joseph Kelly, a bartender, and George Woodall, a saloonkeeper, and John E. Green, Green and Harms served election inspectors at the last election.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Objections of Joseph and Michael Abbott to the courtship of their sister Anne by Charles Catorani developed a tragic sequel here today when Catorani opened fire on the brothers at their home. Joseph was killed outright; Michael fell fatally wounded with three bullets in his body and Patrick J. Doyle, a mounted policeman who was passing lost a little finger clipped by a stray bullet. Catorani escaped.

**PRIVATE CHARITY DISPENSED**  
Many of the charitable institutions throughout the city did an immense amount of good in supplying the needy poor with Christmas dinners, and their work is to be highly commended. Receipts of deeds William C. Purcell also comes in for a great share of the credit, for he was the means of more than 25 of the city's poor receiving a Christmas dinner with all the "fixings." Mr. Purcell placed his order with a prominent Belvidere grocer, who was given instructions to use his own discretion in placing the goods. Another private citizen who is adverse to publicity sent out as many as 400 turkeys. He has been in the habit of doing this yearly, assigning a certain number of turkeys to different churches for distribution to worthy families.

**LOCAL NEWS**  
George Desrosiers formerly of this city and now of Centerville, R. I., is the guest of local relatives.

Oscar Salvani formerly of Lowell and now of Fall River is renewing acquaintances in this city.

**SKATING AT SHEPP PARK**  
Shepp Park was flooded this afternoon by employees of the park department and tomorrow the ice ought to be in excellent condition.

**NO NAVAL BATTLE**  
VALPARAISO, Dec. 26.—No new sea fight has occurred off the Chilean coast so far as can be ascertained today at Washington.

## ZEPPELIN DROPS 14 BOMBS OVER NANCY

Russians Win Advantage at Cracow—Russia Has Ceded Land to Japan—French Progressing

PARIS, Dec. 26.—A despatch received from Nancy says that a zeppelin flew over that city this morning and dropped 14 bombs. Two citizens were killed and two wounded. Several houses were damaged, but none of the public buildings injured.

This is the first report of any hostile activity on the part of a Zeppelin airship against a French city. The last notable exploit of a Zeppelin was when one of them dropped bombs into Antwerp in the early weeks of the war.

Nancy has a population of about 100,000. It is due east from Paris and about 10 miles from the German frontier.

**GERMANS HURLED BACK THE LINE BEFORE WAR**  
Saw

Although stating that further progress has been made, today's communication from the French war office lays chief emphasis on the repeated attacks by the Germans who apparently have undertaken a series of vigorous onslaughts in response to the offensive movements of the allies.

Some of these German attacks extended over considerable ground, involving large bodies of troops but the assertion is made that all were checked. Perceptible progress in Alsace is claimed by the French.

Reviewing conditions in the east, the French war office asserts that the Germans have been thrust back along the line before Warsaw and that in the fighting in the region of Cracow the Russians have won the advantage.

The Japanese embassy at Washington gave confirmation to last night's report from the official press bureau in Berlin that Russia had ceded to Japan the northern half of the island of Sakhalin, which is north of Japan in return for some heavy guns. The southern half of this island, formerly Russian, was ceded to Japan after the Russo-Japanese war.

**CHRISTMAS HAS COME AND GONE WITHOUT A TRUCE AT ANY POINT**

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Christmas has come and gone without a truce at any point in the war of nations. While there has been no cessation of military activity, nevertheless no decisive action has occurred along either of the great battlefronts. A spectacular element of the recent news was supplied by an aerial duel between a German aircraft and two English biplanes over the Thames. This occurred Christmas day and was witnessed by several thousand people. The German aeroplane escaped.

From Petrograd comes news that the Russians have resumed the offensive at several points in Poland and that they have captured no fewer than 11,000 prisoners. To offset this, however, Berlin reports inactivity along the Polish front. An Austrian army is still making a courageous effort to strike down the valley of the Vistula in the direction of Cracow. British observers are of the opinion that this strategy will be too late if it is a fact that the Austro-German attack in the center has really received its repulse.

**SHOT BY OFFICER BUSINESS BOOM**

Hub Official Felled in Big Manchester Shoe Fracas When Gang Fired Into Crowd

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—The plight of Harry J. Cook, who lay in his home all night writhing in agony with a bullet from a patrolman's gun through his groin, led to the revelation yesterday of a lively Christmas eve fracas in South Boston in which the attempted rescue of a prisoner resulted in the shooting and the arrest of more than a dozen would-be rescuers.

The affair was given a mysterious turn by evident efforts on the part of the police to suppress all news of it. A plot had been turned in and a squad of officers from the Broadway station had been rushed to the rescue of Officer Florence Gleason, who had been downed, and was literally fighting for his life with a gang.

**THAWING OUT PIPES**

Another fire was caused this afternoon by a person attempting to thaw out a water pipe which had frozen during the night. The scene of the fire was in a large dwelling occupied by William Williams at 203 Summer street and the blaze caught on the wall and worked its way into the partitions. The blaze was difficult for the firemen to reach but it was extinguished with the use of a few chemicals and only small damage resulted.

H. G. Laroche and family of Webster are the guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Laroche of Moody street.

## SEC. DANIELS CALLS FOR DETAILS ON REPORTED ATTACK BY TURKS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Sec. Daniels called on Captain Oman, commanding the armored cruiser No. Carolina to report whether threats of violence had been made by Turkey at Tripoli against Americans. Athens dispatches published today said that an American warship had threatened a bombardment as a result.

The North Carolina and the Tennessee, both at sea today, the Tennessee having gone there from Tripoli after depositing gold. Beirut is about 40 miles south of Tripoli, where the disorders are said to have occurred. One report is that Turkish authorities sought to prevent the departure of American, British and French consuls and the attack on the American crew of a commercial ship and the threat of bombardment of Tripoli by the American man of war followed.

## RUSSIA HAS 355,000 GERMAN PRISONERS, SAYS DESPATCH—WOULD FIGHT AGAINST TURKS

LONDON, Dec. 26.—According to a Petrograd despatch to Reuters Telegram Co., the number of German prisoners registered in Russia is 114,000 officers and 121,700 men; the number of Austrians registered is 3166 officers and 22,400 men.

## RUSSIA HAS CEDED TO JAPAN ITS HALF OF ISLAND OF SAKHALIN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The Japanese embassy today received official advice from Tokyo that Russia has ceded to Japan its half of the island of Sakhalin for some heavy guns. The island was officially Russian until September, 1905. The southern half was ceded to Japan by the terms of the treaty of Portsmouth.

## CATHERINE HOBAN DEAD

MOTHER OF THOMAS F. HOBAN, OF THIS CITY PASSED AWAY AT HER HOME IN WINCHESTER

Mrs. Catherine Hoban, mother of Thomas F. Hoban, proprietor of the Richardson hotel in this city, died at her home in Winchester, yesterday, at the advanced age of 94 years.

Mrs. Hoban was the widow of Patrick Hoban. She is survived by five sons, Thomas F., of this city; Edward, Henry and Joseph, of Winchester; and John H. Hoban of Wilmington. A half brother of Mrs. Hoban, Thomas Mulken, is a lieutenant in the Worcester police department.

F. C. Church held the insurance on the building on Railroad street owned by Israel Mames, damaged by fire this noon.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

# HELD FOR MURDER OF LAWRENCE JEWELER

**BOSTON, Dec. 25.**—The fourth arrest in the Wakefield murder mystery was made last night when state detective Albert Johnson, assisted by other police, arrested a man who is known to have friends in the city and who is believed to have been in the city at the time of the murder. The man, who is known to have friends in the city and who is believed to have been in the city at the time of the murder, was arrested last night when state detective Albert Johnson, assisted by other police, arrested a man who is known to have friends in the city and who is believed to have been in the city at the time of the murder.

# GEN. KELLY-KENNY DEAD

## Former Adjutant General of the British Forces Fought on Many Foreign Fields

**LONDON, Dec. 25.**—General Sir Thomas Kelly-Kenny, former adjutant-general of the British forces, is dead. His home was at Dooagh lodge, in county Clare, Ireland, where he had lived since his retirement in 1907. General Kelly-Kenny was a distinguished soldier and fought on many foreign fields. As far back as 1860 he was mentioned in despatches for his services in the taking of Taku and Taku forts and for this was presented with the service medal. Again in Abyssinia in 1867-68 he was mentioned in despatches, and received another medal for his valorous services.

# ARREST 46 MEN IN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

## Charged With Conspiracy to Violate Election Laws at Terre Haute

**INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 26.**—The arrest of 46 men at Terre Haute late last night who were indicted by the federal grand jury here Dec. 23 charged with conspiracy to violate the election laws may be followed today by others bringing the total number of arrests up to 100 or more. United States Attorney Francis C. Daley who conducted the investigation before the federal grand jury said today he would take up at once the Indianapolis election cases where it is claimed that frauds were committed at the November election. Evansville also may come in for an investigation, as complaints have been filed with the district attorney alleging election frauds at the November election. United States courts have jurisdiction in the proposed investigation because of the fact that a senator and member of congress were voted for at the last general election.

# Impressive Christmas Services With Sermons on the Nativity and Grand Musical Programs

The feast of Christmas was celebrated in the Catholic churches of the city yesterday with all the elaborate ceremonial prescribed for its observance. In most cases masses were at the same time as on Sunday, but in decoration, in special music and in the other externals of Catholic worship, the character of the great feast day was well reflected. The sermons had to do with some phase of the Nativity and its significance, and the story was beautifully illustrated by the little Christmas crèches with their life-like statuary groups.

# INDUSTRIAL AND STORE NEWS

Keep shooting. Made in Lowell, U. S. A. It is rumored that the Massachusetts mill will get a large government contract for shells. The Christmas tree celebration was witnessed by many employees of the local mills and stores. John D. O'Brien, a prominent member of the South End club, will be the guest of honor at the Christmas tree celebration. The Christmas tree celebration was witnessed by many employees of the local mills and stores. John D. O'Brien, a prominent member of the South End club, will be the guest of honor at the Christmas tree celebration. The Christmas tree celebration was witnessed by many employees of the local mills and stores. John D. O'Brien, a prominent member of the South End club, will be the guest of honor at the Christmas tree celebration.

# CO. TRAINING SCHOOL HEADS ARMY OF METZ

**ELABORATE CELEBRATION CHRISTMAS EVE—MANY USEFUL GIFTS RECEIVED**  
A Christmas tree celebration was held at the Middlesex county training school Thursday afternoon and many costly and useful gifts were bestowed on the boys of the institution. The affair was supervised by Supt. Rufus E. Corlew, who is well liked by the boys, and he was assisted by Mrs. Corlew and members of the teaching staff. The affair was held in the school chapel, and Santa Claus was most generous in the large amount of gifts which he loaded the Christmas trees. The gifts were purchased from the dear old gentlemen by parents of the boys and the state. Many of the parents of the boys were in attendance and this fact added much to the enjoyment of the observance.



PRINCE RUPPRECHT

Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria commands the German forces in the Metz area, the least discredited, but by no means the least important part of the fighting line. He is 46 years old. He is commander-in-chief of the First Bavarian army corps.

# THE YELLOW PERIL

## Japanese Warnings.

The Japanese early sought for the truth, and their earliest knowledge was the principle that their strength depended on a healthy stomach. They eat very little and practice "Jiu-Jitsu"—muscular exercise from youth up. The stomach is the center of the body from which radiates our vitality, strenuously, our fighting strength. A healthy stomach turns the food we eat into nourishment for the blood stream and the nerves. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery refreshes and tones up the stomach walls. It moves the poisonous gases from the system.

# MATRIMONIAL

## PILKINGTON—HAMILTON

Mr. Harry Lee Pilkington of 21 Otis street, this city, and Miss Madeline Rhoda Hamilton of Cambridge, were married Thursday at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. J. B. Converse, Hamilton. The ceremony was held in a private parlour at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. J. B. Converse, Hamilton. The ceremony was held in a private parlour at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. J. B. Converse, Hamilton.

# BARNARD—RILEY

Charles S. Barnard and Miss Margaret A. Riley of Concord, Mass., were married Thursday evening at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. A. B. Hines, pastor of the Pentecostal church.

# CAHILL—EVANS

Hugh Cahill and Mrs. Sarah Evans were married Thursday evening at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. C. E. Connel, at his home, 21 Blossom street. The ceremony was held at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. C. E. Connel, at his home, 21 Blossom street.

# WARREN—PAYNE

Winthrop T. Warren of Lewiston, Me., and Miss Alice E. Payne of Goulet, were married yesterday afternoon at the Spaulding house in this city by Rev. Dr. Smith Baker, uncle of the bride. A dinner was served to the guests following the ceremony.

# MILL OWNER DEAD

## GLEASONDALE, Dec. 25.—Alfred Dwight Gleason, owner of the Gleason mill, died suddenly at his home here early today. He was a member of the firm of J. P. Stevens & Co. of New York and Boston.

# CASH

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# CHRISTMAS EVE EVENTS

## GREAT DISPLAY AT HIGHLAND CLUB—MUNICIPAL TREE ATTRACTED CROWDS TO COMMON

With every window ablaze with light shed by hundreds of candles and a huge display of electric bunting, the Highland club house gave forth a radiance on Thursday night which was plainly visible throughout that section. Added to the regal lighting of the clubhouse was the candle-lit splendor of forty residences surrounding the club grounds. Hundreds of members and guests gathered about the premises during the evening to witness the pleasing spectacle.

# Municipal Xmas Tree

The South common was the scene Thursday evening of perhaps the most spectacular Christmas eve celebration in its history. Thousands of persons, old and young, were attracted there by the beautifully illuminated Christmas tree—Lowell's first municipal Christmas tree. It was a hemlock tree 40 feet high and it will be lighted every night up to and including New Year's night.

# LANDSLIDE NEAR ROME

## RUINS AT VALMONTONE—PART OF CITY COVERED

**ROME, Sunday, Dec. 20.** (Delayed)—Heavy rains caused a landslide today at Valmontone, a city of about 1000 inhabitants, 30 miles southeast of Rome. Part of the city was covered by the landslide and many buildings collapsed. Forty persons were buried beneath the ruins.

# BROTHERS DROWNED

## ANTONIO AND STANLEY BUCH LOST THEIR LIVES WHEN THEY TRIED TO CROSS THIN ICE

**BOSTON, Dec. 26.**—Antonio Buch, 25, and his brother Stanley, 20, of 115 New Allen street, Hyde Park, were drowned last night when they attempted to cross the thin ice on the Neponset river, at the foot of Fulton street. A companion, G. H. Brown, of 20 Eastern avenue, was rescued by C. A. Norton of 1412 Hyde Park avenue. The three men had come but a few yards from shore when the thin ice gave way and plunged them into the 12-foot channel that was recently dredged at this point. Passersby hearing their screams ran to the Neponset home, a short distance away, to telephone the police.

# PARALYSIS

## Wrote for Prof. Dr. Chase, 224 N. Tenth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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# ST. MICHAEL'S

High mass at St. Michael's yesterday was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Fallon, O. M. I., of the Tewksbury novitiate, assisted by Frs. Mullin and Murphy as deacon and sub-deacon respectively. Rev. John J. Shaw, the pastor, was present within the sanctuary. The church presented a beautiful and impressive picture being decorated with greenery of the season and the altar being gay with cut flowers and lights. When the many special lights were turned on at the evening services the effect was strikingly beautiful. Rev. Fr. Shaw celebrated the vesper service, assisted by Rev. Fr. Mullin and Rev. Fr. Murphy.

# ST. PETER'S

Solemn high mass was celebrated at St. Peter's church yesterday at 10 o'clock by Rev. James L. Carey, O. M. I., of the Tewksbury Novitiate, assisted by Rev. W. George Mullin, as deacon and Rev. P. J. Crayton, sub-deacon. The sermon was given by Rev. Dr. Ketcher, pastor, who also spoke at the earlier masses. The vesper services were held at 7 o'clock and the celebrant was Rev. Dr. Ketcher, assisted by Rev. D. J. Heffernan, deacon, and Rev. W. George Mullin, sub-deacon. An elaborate musical program was carried out as previously published while the church was resplendent in its magnificent Christmas decoration.

# Sacred Heart

In no church of the city were the beautiful Christmas services held in more appropriate setting than in the Sacred Heart church on Moore street. The decorations were especially fine, and the musical program was most impressive. The whole was arranged so that the altar attracted the immediate attention, being banked with immense clusters of gorgeous flowers, traced delicately with ropes of lights.

# THE RABBIT'S FOOT

## BY GWEN SEARS

When I say this, I do not mean the tall willowy sylph like girl who slouches gracefully through life, with her clothes draped around her in sinuous folds, but I do mean the honey, angular woman whose every movement is awkward. It is possible to change very ugly angles into very pleasing curves, in a short period of time. The thin woman requires nine to ten hours sleep, because she is usually nervous, and sleep is food for overwrought nerves. The diet too, is an important factor. Sweet potatoes, bread, rice, milk and plenty of fresh water is fattening as everybody knows. Then again, a good thing to cultivate is the milk drinking habit. A quart of milk a day is one of the quickest routes to the "Get Plump Quick" town. Oils too should come first in the list of fit foods for the thin woman. Peanuts in any form are highly nutritious. Every night before retiring a peanut butter sandwich should be the light refreshment. And last, but not least, keep your mind serene, and your lungs filled with fresh air. You will be surprised to see your gowns jacking on a certain snugness that you have never known before.

# CARING FOR THE HANDS

The condition of the hands are not only an indicator of one's age, but they form a distinguishing mark of a woman's station in life. Rough and coarse hands are no disgrace when resulting from honest labor. Working people, however, might often possess smoother hands if they gave more attention to their care. The hands often lose their beauty and youthful appearance through improper care. All sorts of soap, many of them containing an improper proportion of soda, are often the cause of roughened, dry and shriveled skin. A mild soap, containing vegetable ingredients, should be used, the hands washed in warm water and rinsed with cold water. A good preparation to use occasionally for the hands is one part lemon juice to two parts glycerine, and a small quantity of borax. This serves as a bleach and makes the skin smooth. Whenever it is possible, a pair of old gloves should be worn to bed, and a good cold cream rubbed thoroughly into the hands, before retiring.

# SAUNDERS' MARKET

## SPECIAL SALE TONIGHT

NORTH'S BOSTON PORK, LB.....	15c
TURKEYS PURCHASED TODAY, LB.....	15c Up
CHICKENS, LB.....	15c Up
LEGS OF LAMB, LB.....	15c Up
CRANBERRIES, QUART.....	5c
ORANGES, DOZEN.....	10c Up

## Big Sale Tonight Only

# Women Look Well When

they escape the sallow skin, the pimples, blackheads, facial blemishes due to indigestion or biliousness. At times, all women need help to rid the system of poisons, and the safest, surest, most convenient and most economical help they find in

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This famous family remedy has an excellent tonic effect upon the entire system. It quickly relieves the ailments caused by defective or irregular action of the organs of digestion, headache, backache, low spirits, extreme nervousness. Purifying the blood, Beecham's Pills improve and

# Clear The Complexion

Directions of Special Value to Women with Every Box. Sold everywhere. In Boxes, 10c, 25c.



## KILLED BY TRAIN

Brakeman Struck by Express at the Bleachery Station

James W. Cooper, aged 42 years, a brakeman on the B. & M. railroad was struck and almost instantly killed by a Lowell bound express in the Bleachery yard Thursday night. He lived at 22 Chambers street and leaves a wife and several children.

Cooper was working on a yard shift and stepped from a board, this, directly in front of the speeding express. He sustained a fractured skull while his legs were badly mangled. Deceased had worked on the railroad for many years, and was well known in all local freight yards.

Christmas sweet elder. Boyle Bros.

## CONDITIONS IN SERBIA

NURSE SAYS SHE HAS NEVER SEEN SUCH SUDDEN AND TERRIBLE DESTITUTION

LONDON, Dec. 26.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—A Serbian Red Cross nurse, writing to the Serbian relief committee in London, describes conditions in Serbia as follows:

"I have seen five wars—what is Serbia's history but a series of wars?—but never have I seen such sudden and terrible destitution. Wounded are lying everywhere, in the houses, on the streets, in the squares, and we are disturbed in our efforts to care for them by the crowd of fugitives constantly pouring in.

"We give what we have, but it is so little, and we are always short. The doors of the Red Cross are thronged with supplicants for food and lodging. You know how proud our people are. Nobody wanted to be rich, for all had enough, and now for the first time we realize that we are poor. There is not a family unharmed by the war.

"We have soup kitchens, refugee hospitals, at every turn—all in desperate need. Bakers and butchers are ruined, for we have no money to pay them. One baker said to me weeks ago: 'I have no son to send to the war, but I will give what I have.' He supplied our hospital gratis with bread until his flour gave out. Now he is bankrupt.

"At Svilanka three thousand waifs and wanderers arrived last week. The people took them in. I am convinced not a household in that town now has a full meal.

"Yet we do not lose heart. Many of the soldiers give us money, if they can. Yesterday we got contributions of 70 dinars (\$14) and in three cities a total of 2250 dinars (\$450) was collected in two days. This is an enormous sum in Serbia, where a grosch (four cents) is no commoner than a pound sterling (\$5) in England."

## IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Figures made public by the department of commerce today show that November imports totaled \$126,457,087 against \$128,080,529 in 1913, and \$133,110,611 in 1912. The excess of exports over imports for the month was \$79,299,417, compared with \$56,630,650 in October, \$16,341,722 in September, and an import balance of \$19,400,406 in August. Of the November imports, 62.1 per cent entered free of duty, against 51.7 per cent in November, 1913, and 65.5 per cent in November, 1912.

Comparing the trade movements in the eleven months ended November 30, 1914, with those of a like period of 1913, imports show a total of \$1,074,619,401 against \$1,038,570,339 last year; and exports, \$1,857,579,582, against \$2,250,522,664 last year.

Imports of gold in November last totaled \$7,391,729, against \$7,040,782 in November, 1913; and in the eleven months, \$53,278,078, against \$58,561,475 in the corresponding period last year. Gold exports in November aggregated \$14,526,432, against \$8,502,958 in November, 1913; and in the eleven months, \$222,485,232, against \$31,226,017 in the same months of last year.

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THIS year seems to be the bottom of the slowing down of business and 1915 looks very much brighter. We realize to unload our stock we must give most radical bargains and have marked extremely low prices on Suits and Overcoats—no goods are to be carried over and if you wish good clothes at bargain prices you cannot afford to miss this sale.

WE cannot say too much about the quality, make and style of our Suits and Overcoats. When we mention the goods of Hart, Schaffner & Marx, The Fashion Clothes and Kirschbaum's Guaranteed Clothes, we've said it all. We have named the best—when a store of our size and standing starts such a sale it certainly is your duty to investigate.

With a few exceptions our entire Medium and Heavy Weight Stock of Suits and Overcoats will be marked as follows—on many small lots and odd garments the reductions will be still greater.

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\$20, \$22, \$25, \$28 Medium Heavy Weight Suits Marked Down to..... **\$17.50**  
 \$18, \$20, \$22 Medium Heavy Weight Suits Marked Down to..... **\$14.50**  
 \$15, \$18, \$20 Medium Heavy Weight Suits Marked Down to..... **\$12.75**  
 \$10, \$12.75, \$15 Suits Marked Down to..... **\$7.75 and \$9.75**

## OVERCOATS

\$20, \$22, \$25 Overcoats and Balma-caans Marked Down to..... **\$17.50**  
 \$18, \$20, \$22 Overcoats and Balma-caans Marked Down to..... **\$14.50**  
 \$15, \$18 Overcoats and Balmacaans Marked Down to..... **\$12.75**  
 \$12.75 and \$15 Overcoats and Balma-caans Marked Down to..... **\$9.75**

## BOYS' SUITS AND OVERCOATS

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# SUN REAL ESTATE AND BUILDERS' PAGE

## REAL ESTATE BUSINESS

### What is Doing in the Building Line—Notes of Interest to Contractors and Dealers

A decided boom in the real estate and building activity of Lowell and vicinity is predicted by many early in the year 1915. Many hints of tentative plans are given, with no definite statements, but a favorable expression is "watch and you will see."

However, in any case it is quite reasonable to believe that with the coming of midwinter very many people will begin preparations for purchasing or erecting new houses in the spring. Many local real estate men have stated that they expect a goodly amount of business beginning perhaps in February.

During the past two or three weeks the real estate market in this vicinity has been quiet and the brokers reported but few sales. This would be a most natural condition of affairs during the days immediately preceding the Christmas season. While it is true, according to the statements of men who should know, that the building operations are held up because of scarcity of money and the reluctance of the banks to lend, nevertheless these engaged in the building field are looking forward to a change for the better.

Up to Wednesday night six permits were issued at city hall for building or altering, and of these, five call for new structures and the sixth for an addition.

#### REAL ESTATE NOTES

Francis Varley is building a shed for storage purposes at 837-840 Lakewood avenue. The shed will cost about \$500.

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a row pad or rubber. Burlap also does well. After standing twenty-four hours, sandpaper smooth and apply a surface, some grades of which may be bought ready made. Clean up, allow it to become dry, then polish with wax or apply floor finish, as desired. Waxed floors look fine and are easily renewed as they need to be, but they do not take the wear that burlap gives. Nor should wax be used under varnish, as it will cause trouble. A good floor varnish, rubbed a little each coat, excepting the last, makes a very durable floor finish. An ordinarily used, the wax makes a very slippery floor, one that is indeed dangerous to walk on, but there is a way to avoid this difficulty, and that is to use nothing but wax from the filler up, excluding varnish or shellac. Or if shellac is used, then sandpaper it to give it tooth. Never finish bathroom, entrance hall or kitchen floor with wax.

Milk is a good thing to wipe up a varnished floor with. I recall one painter who told about a floor that he varnished for a family and that looked well after twenty-seven years of service. It was often wiped off with a milky cloth.

At a summer resort on the New England coast there were some piazza floors of old southern pine which were finished with coal oil, a very extraordinary method, to be sure, yet it is said that oil seemed to preserve the wood and make a very nice effect.

When you wax a new floor allow the wax to lie over night or twenty-four hours before polishing, but an old floor may be polished soon after applying the wax. Polishing may be done with a wooden cloth, but a weighted brush is the best tool to use. There are floors in French public places that are so highly polished as to show the images of the furniture standing on it, just as water reflects the trees standing at its edges. And some of these fine waxed floors have been in use for two centuries at least.

Water is usually fatal to a waxed floor, and should be desired to remove the old wax then rub with turpentine.

Some finishers say that a hard pine floor should never be varnished nor shellacked, but should be stained dark with a dark oil stain, wiped off, and when dry given a coat of equal parts of oil and turpentine, wiping dry. First wipe across the grain with the dark oil stain, which will take the oil stain from the hard parts and place it in the softer parts of the wood; finally wipe the surface dry with a dry cloth. Repeat this operation until the wood will take no more of it. A floor treated this way will neither scratch nor wear off in spots, and it is an easy matter to renew it. Such a floor is not slippery, but gives a footing to the walker thereon. Also it grows mellow and darker with age, and forms a fine background, as it were, for the furniture of the room.

Why fill a floor before waxing? For the reason that when you want to renew such a floor it is easier to remove the wax from a filled surface than from an unfilled one. When you remove wax from such a floor you have just as good a surface as when the job was first done.—The National Builder.

Statement of the heating and plumbing work completed by John A. Cotter & Co. within the last week:  
Heating and plumbing in six two-apartment houses situated on Middlesex and Stevens streets, at Adelphi, Demers, Menlo houses were installed and all modern plumbing.  
Installed the heating in two houses for John M. Allen, at the corner of Pine and Robbins streets, Menlo houses used.  
Bath room for Mr. A. B. Woodworth, Hawthorn street, with all up to date fixtures.  
Heating for Michael McGlinchey, on Manchester street.  
Two modern bath rooms for Frieda Meyzola, on Suffolk street.

#### REAL ESTATE DEALERS

Sales by E. F. Slattery, Jr., Edward F. Slattery, Jr., 904 Sun building, reports the following sales for the week ending December 24: The sale of a tenement house containing four and six rooms to each tenant, and making a splendid investment proposition. The property is situated near Fletcher street and is in excellent condition. The house is assessed for \$2000 and the land for \$150, making a total of \$2150. Names of grantor and grantee will be given when the papers are put on record.

Thomas H. Elliott, real estate broker, offices 64 Central street, corner Prescott, reports the following sales negotiated during the past week ending Friday, Dec. 25:  
Final reports have been passed through this office in respect to the largest transfer in residential realty in recent years in Lowell involving the sale of the residence belonging to the estate of the late Hon. H. H. Thayer. The property is situated at 124 Main street, at the crest of Belvidere hill and extends through to the Oakland section with an extremely heavy street frontage on Belmont avenue, Main street and Penitence avenue. The land involved in the transfer approximately 150,000 square feet, laid out to elaborate grounds, garden and orchard. The taxed value of the parcel is \$32,000. The house is without question the finest constructed in Lowell during the past decade and is of a grade of workmanship unequalled throughout the city. It is in colonial type with a facade of massive pillars. There are four large rooms, aside from servants' quarters, and three baths. There are five master bedrooms. The finish throughout is in the richest quartered oak and mahogany. The property stands a superb outlook to the east and down the valley of the Merrimack.

The transfer is negotiated on behalf of the estate of the late Henry L. Tibbets, the grantee being Mrs. A. J. Fay who comes to Lowell from Western Mass. The land is taken occupancy early in the new year.

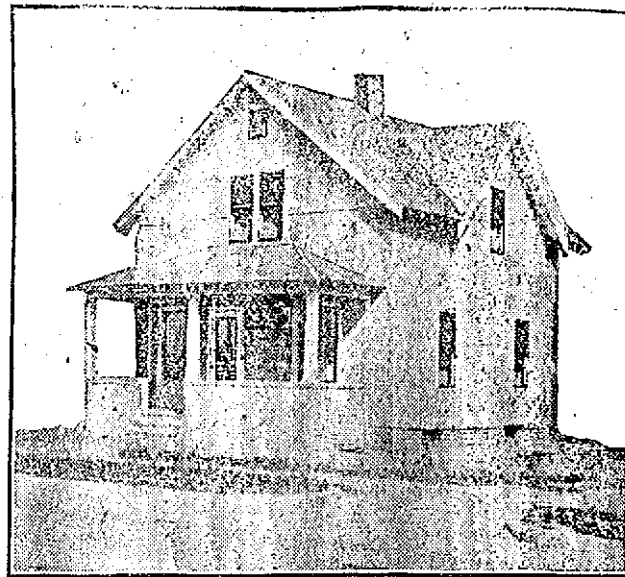
Contracts have been closed on the purchase and sale of an excellent building site situated on the very top of Belvidere hill and near Main street. The tract approximately 4000 square feet of a fine building site, assessed at \$3,000. The sale is effected on behalf of out-of-town owners, the purchasers being local persons. Names and full details will be given on the passing of final papers in the immediate future.

Finishing Floors

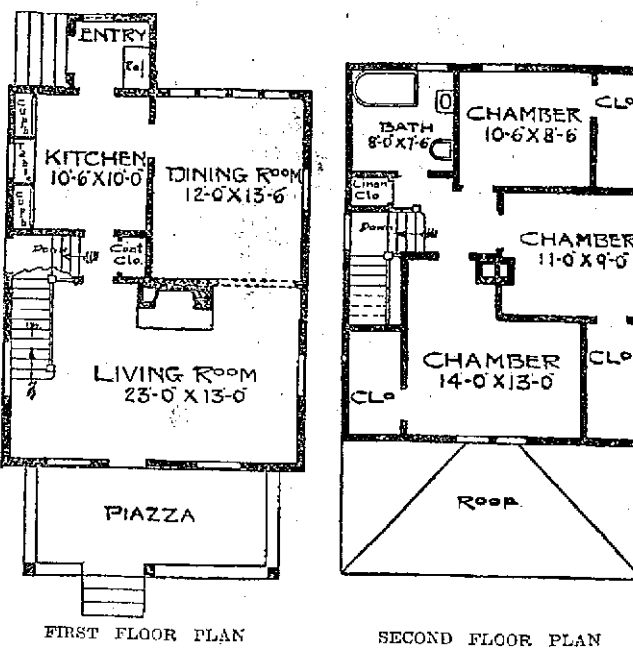
If proper time allowance were given to floors after their finishing, it is safe to say they would wear 50 per cent longer and better under the usual procedure. But both contractor and owner are so desirous of getting the contract finished that the floors are used long before they should be, and the result is well known.

If the floor is of oak, it will be paste filled. In ten minutes from the time of rubbing in the filler it will have set. Then it may be rubbed off across the grain, using

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#### ORIENTAL RUGS

It is an article of most people's creed that the Oriental rug is always the right thing in the right place. This may be true of certain sorts, of small pattern and indeterminate color, even of those which cannot be so characterized, but which have become with the process of years faded into a subdued harmony of neutral effect. But when a rug makes a distinct color impression is chosen, it is essential to give much care to its setting.

As a rule rugs of this type, definitely red rugs like the Bokharas, the Turkish rugs in large sizes with much plain surface of red, blue or orange or those various sorts with a thick pile and a very considerable amount of bright red, to say nothing of many of the Persian carpets, are most at home in rooms of rather sombre coloring, with much dark furniture, brown walls and pictures and bric-a-brac of rich rather than vivid coloring. In such a setting the rug is the chief decorative asset of the room, and gets its utmost possible value.

On the principle which makes a mahogany gate-legged table incongruous an Oriental rug is not a happy choice for a room of distinctly French style. Oriental rugs were not used in the classical periods of French decorative art. If one objects to the typical Aubusson or Savonnerie on the ground of its naturalistic flowers and foliage, a velvet rug of plain color may be substituted and be quite correct. In any case, only the lightest colorings of the Persian carpets will harmonize with delicate French tapestries and creations.

Even in rooms without other delicate color, a rug of vivid tones is not always desirable. The winter has in mind such a room, with low toned green walls, delicate Chippendale furniture and family portraits of merit and fine porcelain, all of which are absolutely negligible, owing to the presence of a large rug with a vivid center, relieved only by a central figure and a palm leaf border in light colors on a white ground.

MIXING MORTAR COLORS

The demand for mortar colors is becoming greater every day. Not only are dealers and contractors taking to the artistic method of laying brick in colored mortar, but building owners are realizing the attractiveness which may be secured through the use of the various mortar colors now available.

Believing that the retailers of mortar colors would benefit from information concerning the mixing of these materials, a large Milwaukee firm is supplying them with this information.

"The amount of coloring needed varies with the materials used and the shade desired," says Mr. Frederick C. Bogk, secretary and treasurer of this company. "For mortar, the following is approximate: For laying 1000 brick with spread joints in red, brown, blue or purple, use from 50 to 60 pounds of color to two and one-half bushels of lime and one-half yard of sand. For mortar joints, use 35 pounds of color. For dry black, use from 50 to 100 pounds. For laying 1000 pressed brick with spread joints, using black pulp color, take from 40 to 45 pounds of black pulp to two and one-half

adding to the mixed sand and color in making mortar.  
Always mix the colors with dry material. The more thorough the mixture, the less coloring you will need."

#### REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

For the Week Ending Dec. 25

LOWELL

Omer Gagnon et ux. to Sara Laporte, land on Rollen street.

Jennie M. Ruby et al. to Chas. H. Horton, land and buildings on Rutland street.

Ersel Greenberg et ux. to Ralph Pike, land and buildings on Chelmsford Canal Dam street.

Patrick Mulligan to Rose Mulligan, land.

Noble M. Charlton et ux. to Eliza E. Sals, land.

M. Elizabeth Whitney to Catherine L. Cryan, land and buildings on Adams street.

Pros. of Locks & Canals on Merrimack river to Appleton Co. land.

William M. Cogan to James J. Cogan, land and buildings on Fenwick street.

Joanna Cogan et ux. to Florence E. Grant, land and buildings on Fenwick street.

Florence E. Grant to James J. Cogan, land and buildings on Fenwick street.

Amelia S. Barnett to Albert O. Harrison et al., land and buildings corner Shaw and South Walker streets.

William J. McGuire et ux. to Antonia Palotto et al., land and buildings on Kinsman street.

Katherine A. Kelly et al. to Thomas Leaver et ux., land and buildings on West street.

Mary E. Kelly by gds. to Thomas Leaver et ux., land and buildings on West street.

Virginia Tolson to Albert Tolson, land and buildings on Moody street.

Glidden Real Estate Co. by trs. to Theophilus Lathin, land and buildings corner Wilder and Middlesex streets.

Shene E. Farrington et ux. to Della R. Holbrook et al., land and buildings on Tyler street.

Elizabeth G. Bass et ux. to Martha C. Cogan, land on Concord street.

Hattie F. Morse to Lilla M. Baker, land and buildings on Crawford street.

Harlow H. Rogers et ux. to Chas. C. Long, land and buildings on Sixth avenue.

Charles C. Long to Harlow H. Rogers, tr., land and buildings on Smith avenue.

Samuel N. Harris et ux. to Robert C. Bartlett, land and buildings corner Sagamore and Liberty streets.

BILLERICA

Suburban Land Co. Inc., Boston, to Blanche B. R. Lewis, land at Nuttings Lake park.

Eleanor C. Kelly by mrs. to Anna C. Cushman, land on Wallace and Corthill roads.

Billerica Realty Trust Co. by trs. to Fultus Groszewicz, land at Billerica Highlands.

George H. Hill tr. to Percy Coldwell, land corner Main road and High street.

George H. Hill tr. to Percy R. Coldwell, land on Marland road.

Charles W. Melendy et al. to William C. Thompson, land at Pinehurst Avenue.

Barnett M. Hein et ux. to Samuel Carro, land at King's Corners Annex.

Talbot mills, Billerica, to Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston, land on Colson street and Tenth avenue.

Thomas E. Tufts to Helen Histon Martell, land corner Cardington and Glendale avenues.

BRACUT

Vida S. Walker et al. to Charles Ashton Craig, land and buildings on Upland street.

Charles Ashley Craig to Alphonse Bisson, land and buildings on Upland street.

TEWKSBURY

William Schwartz et ux. to Jennie Robinson et al., land and buildings at Shawheen River park.

Sarah Feinstein et al. to Sarah Snedden, land and buildings near Billerica line.

TYNGSBORO

Thomas J. Roberts et ux. to Annie E. Riley, land on road to Chelmsford.

WESTFORD

Alvin L. Cummings to Warren H. Sherman, land on Dunstable road.

Charles E. Fisher et ux. by exor. to Alec. Fisher, land on road from Westford to Tyngsboro.

WILMINGTON

Charles E. Hatch et al. to Edith Forsner, land at Pinegrove park.

Edward S. Eaton et ux. to Panastote B. Strumbeis, land on Cook and Cleveland avenues, Harris, Pratt and Main streets.

Horton & Lowell R. R. Corp. et al. to Alice B. Alexander, land on Main street.

NATIONAL FOREST FIRES

SEASON OF 1914 MOST DISASTROUS SINCE ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL FORESTS

The season of 1914, according to the officials of the forest service, carried greater danger from fire to the national forests than any year since the establishment of the national forests.

To meet this emergency and to prevent great loss of public property, the department of agriculture was obliged to exceed the amount appropriated for fire protection and incur a deficiency of \$349,243. The conditions of drought and other factors of forest fire hazard were said to be worse than in 1910, when the disastrous Idaho fires occurred.

Weather bureau reports show that in most of the Rocky Mountain and Pacific coast region last winter's snows were much below the normal, and as a result there was an early spring and an early drying out of the forests. In western Montana and in northern Idaho there were forest fires in considerable numbers by the end of May and they continued until October. In California, where there is normally a very long season of drought, the fire season started in earlier portions five weeks earlier than usual, and in the southern part of the state the fire danger was still great at the end of November. A long dry season, sustained periods of high temperature, recurring hard and steady winds and, in certain places, unusually hot, dry nights, rendered the forests exceedingly inflammable and the problem of fire prevention unusually difficult.

More Than 6000 Fires

The total number of fires during the season of 1914 which threatened the national forests and which had to be handled by the protective organization of the forest service were 6112 or about 1000 more than occurred in 1913. This number represents the fires reported up to December 1. At that time reports indicated that there was still a dangerous condition in southern California and in certain portions of the national forests of the east. The service says that the total for the year will be increased by fires in these regions during December.

The most serious conditions are reported from western Montana and nor-

thern Idaho and on the Pacific slope. Weather conditions in the central and southern Rocky Mountain regions were more nearly normal. As a consequence only 15 per cent of the total number of all national forest fires occurred in these regions and they were handled without difficulty and with very small loss of property.

Of the entire 6112 fires which threatened the national forests, 81 per cent were extinguished by the protective organization before they had covered 10 acres. The percentage of fires that burned over more than 10 acres was smaller than in any previous year.

While detailed reports have not yet been received appraising the exact loss to the government through the forest fires, a preliminary estimate shows that the loss of merchantable timber will probably not exceed \$400,000. In 1910 the corresponding estimate of loss was nearly \$15,000,000, but later estimates materially reduced the amount. Through the work of the protective force the fires this year were largely confined to old burns and to less heavily timbered areas. The loss to the government through the destruction of young trees which had sprung up in these openings is larger than the actual loss to green timber.

#### Region of Greatest Danger

In Montana and Idaho alone, it is said that the value of specific bodies of timber which were threatened by the approximately 2000 fires which started and were put out, aggregated the enormous sum of over \$59,000,000. It was in this section that the largest amount of money had to be spent to prevent a recurrence of the great disaster of 1910. In Oregon and Washington the 1200 fires which were handled by the department threatened upwards of \$24,000,000 worth of timber. And these figures, according to the department experts, do not include the value of non-merchantable timber and young growth on about 5,000,000 acres of land, and several million dollars worth of such and other private property which lay in the path of the threatening conflagrations. Figures are not yet gathered of the precise amount of damage threatened by fires in California and other national forest states, though they are expected to add to large amounts to the total value of the property threatened and saved.

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# THE CHRISTMAS FESTIVITY

Notable Events in the Church Vestries—Many Poor Families Made Happy

There is no doubt that the Christmas festival was enjoyed as fully by the poor of Lowell as by those of any other city in the country. The splendid efforts of various charitable organizations including church fraternities, the Elks, the Salvation Army, the Humane society, the Lowell Guild, the local firemen and several individuals who dispensed charity quite freely, proved effective in bringing joy to the hearts of thousands who would otherwise have spent the Christmas in gloom if not in actual want. Quite a number of stores also contributed to the relief of families whom they knew to be in need. Altogether the combined efforts of the charitable inclined was never more successful in reaching every individual in need of aid.

The inmates of the institutions, the orphanages, hospitals and homes were made to feel that they were not forgotten and that in the great outside world there are many kind friends who think of them and are anxious to have them share the general rejoicing at the Christmas tide.

## St. Peter's Orphanage

Christmas morn at St. Peter's orphanage the children sang sweet Christmas music while Santa Claus supplied presents for them all. A turkey dinner was served at noon and in the afternoon there was an entertainment by the children.

## The County Jail

Roast pork was the piece de resistance.

## AFTER GRIPPE

Vinol Restored Mr. Martin's Strength. Wapakoneta, Ohio.—I am a farmer by occupation, and the gripe left me with a bad cough and in a nervous, weak, run-down condition and I could not seem to get anything to do much any more until I took Vinol which built me up, and my cough and nervousness are all gone, and I can truly say Vinol is all that is claimed for it.—JAMES MARTIN.

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ance at the jail on Christmas day. The inmates were given the freedom of the corridors and among the things provided by good Sheriff Eveleva was a photographic entertainment.

## At Swedish Church

The Swedish Congregational church in London street was the scene last evening of a joyous Christmas festival. Two large Christmas trees were laden with gifts. The church windows were lighted with candles. The concert program was as follows: "Most Beautiful Day," Astrid Bengtson; "Now is Christmas Again," Paul Swenson; "Peace on Earth," Henry Anderson; "A Child is With Us," Jennie Anderson; "A Child's Wishes," Amy Pettersson; "Juletid i Hemmet," Ruth Bengtson; "Gloria of Heaven is Lighted," Clifford Phil; "The Redeemed World," Clifford Anderson; "Our Prayers," Ernest Anderson; "Jule," Paul Pettersson; "Christmas Bells," Alfred Barrett; "Now the Christmas Bells Sound," Linnar Pettersson; and "Infant Bengtson," Comes Jesus," Albert Pettersson; "My Evening Prayer," Ruth Elmsen; "The First Christian," Anna Anderson; "Lord Our Righteousness," Ivan Bengtson; "Bethlehem," Ingemar Pettersson; "Now is Christmas," Mildred Abrahamson; "Jesus," Eva Pettersson; "The King," Beatrix Ollsen; "The World Love," Percy Bengtson; "The Holy Night," Constance Ollsen; "The Wise Men," Evelyn Anderson; "Christmas Eve," Harold Anderson; "Yule Peace," Sadie Anderson; "Kindly Light," Eric Phil; "In the Shepherd's Path," George Phil; "Let the Light Be Burning," Milton Anderson. There was congregational singing with prayer, a short address and benediction by the pastor, Rev. John Elmsen.

## Highland Congregational

Santa Claus did not forget to call at the Highland Congregational church Christmas night. A fireplace and two big Christmas trees caught his eye and he proceeded to lead the trees down with presents. A pleasing program was given by Mrs. Belle Harrington, high reader, and Miss Grella McPherson, singer. Miss Christine McPherson, violinist, accompanied the latter.

## Paige Street Church

At the Paige Street Baptist church two Christmas trees were loaded to the limit with gifts for members of the Sunday school. The distribution of gifts was preceded by a short entertainment given by the younger members of the school. There was a little box on the tree for the pastor, Rev. B. R. Harris and it contained \$5 gold pieces, the gift of members of the church and Sunday school.

Miss Doris Brown played several piano selections and there were readings by Miss Orpha Hutchinson. An amusing little sketch the "Country School Christmas Crazy Class" was presented by the young people. Those taking part were: Teacher, Miss Blanche Libby; the pupils, Misses Berice and Mildred Libby, Miss Helen Thilsett, Reginald Harris, Ralph Smith and Cecil Chase. Following the sketch, the gifts were distributed, Walter Chase and Leon Brown being the two Santa Clauses.

## The Pawtucket Church

Christmas tree exercises were held Christmas afternoon in the social rooms of the Pawtucket Congregational church.

Preceding the distribution of gifts Miss Florence Milner gave a series of readings and carols illustrated with tableaux by the boys and girls of the school. The latter for the Sunday school pupils, of a silver loving cup to the superintendent. Brooch pins were also presented to Mrs. George R. Tanager and Miss Eleanor Lachneur as tokens of appreciation of their services to the school.

## Westminster Church

At the Westminster church gifts were distributed from a beautifully decorated Christmas tree. The program by the Sunday school was as follows: Recitation, "Christmas Welcome," Nettie Wallace; recitation, "We Welcome You," Marie Morris; recitation, Roland Watts, Harold Blackie and Daniel McDonald; song, "Merry, Merry Christmas," school; recitation, "The Sweetest Name," Jean McDonald; recitation, "On Christmas," Emma Fulton; recitation, "What the Holly Says," Bessie Johnston; recitation, "Ten Days Till Christmas," Florence Bulmer; duet, Eleanor and Christine McDonald; recitation, "Bethlehem," Florence Ross; recitation, "The Name Above Every Name," Dolores McKenzie; song, "Christmas Joyfully," school; recitation, "The Little Outcast," Elizabeth McDonald; recitation, "Stars in the Christmas Sky," Irene McKenzie; recitation, "Stars of Bethlehem," Christine McDonald; song, "A Shout of Gladness," school; recitation, "The Happy Way," Madeline McDonald; recitation, "The Story of the Stars," Violet Watts. Miss Florence was the accompanist and the committee in charge consisted of Misses Anna Haggart and Ada Penny and Douglas McKinley.

## IN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

Continued

laurel and backed by a forest setting of fir trees. The crib which was on the epistle side was a work of art, appealing to the eye as well as to the heart.

At 8.30 o'clock, the children's mass was said by Rev. James T. McBurnett, O. M. I., with the singing of Christmas carols by the school children. Special music was given at the 8.30 o'clock mass, with Mrs. A. Curry at the organ and Miss Catherine Sharkey sustaining the solos.

Previous to the high mass there was a procession through the aisles of the church, participating singing the hymns "Twelve in the winter cold" and "Angels from the realms of glory." Rev. T. Franklyn Wood, O. M. I., was celebrant of the mass, assisted by Frs. Burns and Fletcher as deacon and sub deacon. The mass was one of Gounod's, the responses being sung by the sanctuary choir. At the offertory Mr. John McManen sang "Nolo Nobis Salvatorem" and the choir soloists were Mrs. Mary Monroe Mooney, Miss Be-

lie Finnegan and Mr. George Kilwin. Mr. John Kelly presided at the organ. To his efficient direction was due the excellence of the musical program both at the morning and evening services. At all of the masses, the pastor, Rev. T. Wade Smith, O. M. I., D. D., gave a brief sermon on the meaning of Christmas to all Christians and thanked all who contributed to the most pleasing observance. One of the most pleasing features of the entire celebration was the singing of "Ave Maria" by the sanctuary choir under the direction of Rev. J. T. McBurnett, O. M. I.

In the evening services were held at 6.30 o'clock. Much of the morning's musical program was repeated. Rosalind's "Ave Maria" was sung at benediction by a quartet composed of Mrs. Frank Kilwin, Miss Bertha Finnegan and Messrs. McManen and Kilwin. The officers at benediction were the same as at the solemn mass.

At the 11 o'clock mass next Sunday the Christmas music will be repeated.

## St. Margaret's Church

The altars in St. Margaret's church were exquisitely decorated in honor of the holiday, the representation of the crib being in position on the epistle-side altar. Masses were sung at 6.30, 8.30 and 10.45, the last being a high mass celebrated by Rev. C. J. Galligan, pastor. A feature of the music was the "Ave Maria" sung by Miss Catherine V. Hennessy at the offertory. The sermon on the significance of the scene in Bethlehem was given by Fr. Galligan. In the evening vespers services were sung with a large congregation in attendance.

## St. Columba's

The high mass at St. Columba's

church was sung by Rev. Thomas W. Buckley, who also preached the sermon. The altar was prettily decorated and the music which was unusually attractive was given under the direction of Miss Catherine Wholey.

## St. Joseph's

The feast of the Nativity was observed in a fitting manner at St. Joseph's church yesterday, a solemn high mass being celebrated in the morning and solemn vespers in the evening. The church was elaborately decorated with laurels and overgreen, while the altar presented a very brilliant appearance with its many incense-lights and tapers, white flowers and potted plants were much in evidence. The crib, which had been placed within the sanctuary rail reflected much credit upon the sexton of the church, Henri Blanchette, who devoted considerable time in preparing this feature of the Christmas celebration.

The parish mass was celebrated at 10.30 o'clock by Rev. Arthur Baron, O. M. I., assisted by Rev. Bro. Joseph Moriarty, O. M. I. and Rev. Bro. Frank Curry, O. M. I., both of Tewksbury, as deacon and sub deacon respectively. The sermon was preached by Rev. L. A. Nolin, O. M. I., who delivered a masterpiece on the gospel of the day. The choir, under the able direction of Telesphore Malo, rendered Kalliwoda's mass, and that part of the program was carried out in a most efficient manner. The soloists of the mass were Misses Stella Latour, Rose Lusier, Rose Lacouture, Evelyn Benoit, Alice Bonin, A. Perron, Mrs. J. B. D. Jacques, Mrs. Telesphore Malo and Messrs. L. J. Z. Robillard, T. H. Brassard, Arthur Levesque, Arthur Giroux, Henri Weidbrenner, Alfred Du-

charme and Telesphore Malo. At the offertory a most pleasing and appropriate number was given by the choir, which rendered in a charming manner M. A. McNeil's "Pastorale."

The evening service was held at 6.30 o'clock with Rev. Charles Paquette, O. M. I., as the officiating clergyman. Gregorian psalms were rendered by the choir. Misses Rose Lusier and Stella Latour rendered Bagot's "Ave Maria," while Miss Alice Bonin sang Rueber's "O Salutaris." E. J. Larochelle rendered Novello's "Alma Redemptoris." The service closed with benediction. T. Malo directed the choir, while Mrs. J. A. Bernard presided at the organ.

## St. Louis

The parish mass at St. Louis' church in West Centralville was celebrated at 8.30 o'clock yesterday, the celebrant being Rev. F. J. Vincent, assisted by Rev. L. C. Bodard as deacon and Rev. J. B. Labrosse as sub deacon. The decorations in the little church were splendid and added greatly to the solemnity of the celebration. The choir

under the direction of Olier J. David rendered Millard's revised mass with accompaniment by Cornetier's orchestra. Miss Ida Monaghan presiding at the organ. The sermon was preached by the pastor, Rev. J. B. Labrosse.

The evening services were conducted at 6.30 o'clock with Rev. J. B. Labrosse as the officiating clergyman. At benediction Miss Clemence Simard sang "O Salutaris" and Miss Alice Pratte rendered "Ave Maria."

## Notre Dame De Lourdes

Solemn high mass was celebrated at Notre Dame de Lourdes church in Branch street at 10.30 o'clock by Rev. Joseph Magnan, O. M. I., assisted by Rev. Walter Plaisance, O. M. I., D. D., and Rev. Bro. Ingles, O. M. I., both of Tewksbury, as deacon and sub deacon, respectively. The decorations were most attractive, especially on the main altar and at the crib. The choir under the direction of H. A. Racicot, rendered Kalliwoda's mass, accompanied by Levesque's orchestra. Miss Bella Lavigne presided at the organ.

Vesper services were held at 6.30 p. m., with Rev. Joseph Magnan, O. M. I., as the officiating clergyman. Gregorian psalms were chanted and appropriate numbers were given at benediction.

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## BE PROSPERITY BOOMERS

We have on more than one occasion recently called attention to the injurious effects of a lack of general confidence on all departments of business, and to illustrate the point we need but refer to merchants and manufacturers who declare that for some time past business was not what it should have been though everything pointed to prosperity. In our own city the mills are running at full blast, many of them working overtime. Others have recently received orders that will enable them to start on an unusually active scale in the near future. Most of our people are regularly employed and prosperous. How comes it then that the stores complain of stagnation? The war and a fear of its possible consequences have created the illusion that times in this country are going to be bad, when, in reality, there is every reason to expect a contrary state of affairs.

Now that the holiday season is over there will be a natural reaction in some lines of business, but early in the new year this country will in all probability feel the spur of a business revival that shall grow steadily and slowly until we reach the high water mark of national prosperity. Unless all auguries fail, we will reap the gain of others' loss. As yet the war has not laid its paralyzing hand on all countries, but life must adjust itself to conditions and must go on as best it may. In the southern half of this continent are millions of traders who have until the last few months been supplied with the products of Germany, France and England. War broke out and their source of supply was either partially or entirely wiped out. Though they may get along for a little while they must very soon look to other sources for the necessities of life and for the modern manufactures that are necessary to carry on the tasks of existence. We are the only nation where the barrier of war does not in some way interfere with the normal relations of commerce and to us must come much of the patronage hitherto enjoyed by the belligerent nations of Europe.

This question is a practical one, removed from abstract discussion. The myriads of South America, of the Orient and of other sections of the globe must soon turn to this country for clothing, for shoes, for machinery, for food, for most of the natural and manufactured products that are absolutely necessary to their existence. When they do, the shoe shops of Lowell, the mills of Lowell, the machine shops of Lowell, practically all the factories of Lowell will fall in for a share of the orders. We have this on the word of prescient men of business who are not swayed by emotion or sentiment and who are more apt to look on the conservative side than on the side of optimism. Heads of the great manufacturing corporations of this country, political leaders in all parties, trade journals noted for their accuracy, influential papers in all parts of the country, chambers of commerce and other civic bodies everywhere join in predicting unusual prosperity and warning America to be ready for it when it comes so that opportunity will not turn disappointed from our door.

In order that we may fully enjoy the blessings of industrial prosperity, it is most essential that our own people put aside the needless fears which have been apparent for some time past and that they shall face the immediate future with confidence. Needless hoarding of money makes business bad and engenders an artificial feeling of uncertainty. There is absolutely no need for this and everyone who has the interest of our country at heart will strive to banish the temporary clouds and let the sunshine of business activity shine in. Be then a business boomer. Argue with the occasional prophet of disaster and show him how unwise and how illogical his position is. Do not squander your money but spend it in a normal fashion, paying your debts and buying what you need as in days before the war. Prosperity is surely coming our way and you just put your shoulder to the wheel and help it along.

## DETROIT'S WAY

A few days ago The Sun called the attention of its readers to a suggestion made by the Boston Herald for the relief of genuine unemployment, to wit: that certain large municipal undertakings be set on foot at times of private business depression. Now comes to hand of the manner in which this problem is being handled in Detroit—a city by the way which has had more than its share of unemployment for some time past. In that city the commerce board has used its influence to provide work for the unemployed by advocating the commencement of certain large contracts that ordinarily would not have been started until spring. The suggestion was followed with commendable promptness. The same policy has been adopted with regard to some jobs of lesser importance. As a result hundreds can live without recourse to charity and the normal life of the city will not be affected in the least. With the dawn of general prosperity in the spring, Detroit will not suffer for having started its municipal tasks early. Rather will it be to the city's advantage to have adopted the various reforms.

This is a change in municipal administration that seems destined to greater development as the years advance. In all cities the difficulties in the way of starting municipal undertakings early are mostly financial, as there are many tasks of a large nature which may be carried out in late winter as well as in summer. Even in a prosperous year business slows up at this season to some extent and there is more compulsory unemployment than at any other time. It is a period, too, when the tasks of daily existence fall most heavily on the average worker. To provide the family with food and clothing and to keep them comfortable and healthy is no light task. Would it not then be worth while for our authorities to see if some municipal undertakings could not be arranged so as to offer employment to many at a time of distressing dullness?

Private concerns, too, may advantageously strain a point to start activity this year a little earlier than usual. In the building trade and many other lines of business it is usual to await the warm weather before starting the actual work of the busy season. In cases where contracts have been settled and work laid out in advance it is often possible to get things going a little early and this should be done next year if possible. To tide over labor to the bright time just ahead would be an economic as well as a humanitarian triumph.

The real obstruction to municipal activity at this time is usually finan-

cial shortage, but this condition is remediable. The Sun has advocated the planning of street work, for instance, for more than one season in advance and the same idea has been put in force by our board of trade. If petty politics and selfish interests were put aside in discussing questions such as this the result would be far more satisfactory than at present. Even though at present we can but admire the superior progressiveness of cities such as Detroit, let us hope for the dawn of a time when better business and a broader outlook direct our own municipal administration.

## A CITY MANAGER

When a year or so ago, the city manager idea was at first tried in this section there was a great deal of discussion in the press, discussion which died down eventually. That the movement bore fruit, however, is eloquently attested to by the fact that twenty-two important American cities have a city manager; many other cities are seriously considering the adoption of the suggestion. At the recent conference of city managers in Springfield, O., Henry M. Waite, city manager of Dayton, summed up the main requirements of a city manager as follows:

A city manager should have at least a fair education, sufficient ability, but not too much to over-look practicality. He must be a fair and just. He must be firm and just. He must have the courage of his convictions. Any man with these qualifications can be a city manager. Such a man can select subordinates and advisers to aid him in carrying out the functions of his department with which he is not familiar in detail.

Continuing, Mr. Waite said that the city manager may get efficient administration from his departments by organization, an impossible achievement

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under the old forms of government and not wholly possible under most commission forms. He suggested the hiring of a manager from out of town who is not apt to be swayed by selfish considerations or the local play of party politics, and he also advocated persistent publicity as a remedy for most of the ills which misgovernment causes are here in. Lowell can afford another of his suggestions which is that a change for the sake of change must be discouraged, as being contrary to the best interests of the people.

Speaking of the city manager plan in a recent editorial the Springfield Union said:

The least that is to be said for the city manager plan is that it is significant of a widespread desire to curb municipal extravagance, cut out graft and favoritism and establish cities upon some ethical basis of efficiency as has been accomplished by the thorough-going business corporation. As such the agitation for a better form is a most wholesome and encouraging development.

While not advocating the exact form of the city manager plan as it is being tried elsewhere, it is a matter for rejoicing that its spirit is being more and more sanctified in Lowell. Anything that tends to genuine economy and efficiency is as welcome here as it is necessary.

## THE AMERICAN POLE

A little innocent amusement has been created in some quarters by the efforts of Representative Smith of Buffalo to get congress by joint resolution to annex the North pole and its environs. That we may do this in propriety is undoubted and that we ought to do so is also evident. What though the North pole may be an imaginary territorial quantity? It is the pole, for which mankind searched vainly until our own Peary tracked the frozen wastes and dispelled another mystery of the globe. That there will ever be any international complications about the ownership of the pole is most unlikely but nevertheless the action of congress would show the entire world that the achievement of Peary is not regarded lightly by the nation which has shared in the glory of his exploit. It has been asserted by our critics that America does some splendid things through impulse but that it is apt to forget its benefactors. To annex the North pole would prove that we have not forgotten that newly-acquired territory—whatever is to be said for our treatment of the discoverer.

## CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION

The Engineering Record in a review of the recent fire in the Edison plant at Orange, N. J., finds that the statements as to the destruction of concrete buildings must be modified considerably. After a careful examination of the wrecked plant it finds that concrete has stood the test and vindicated the claims made for it. Seven concrete buildings that were attacked by the flames still stand while near by are the tangled remains of one frame building and six brick buildings. The chief reasons for the great extent of the disaster, according to the Record, were the highly inflammable character of the contents of the buildings, the inadequacy of the water supply, lack of fire walls and the absence of automatic sprinklers. There is much in this report to direct those who may be considering the erection of a modern fireproof building. Taken all in all, it is a commendation of the type of construction of which the Sun

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## Town of Tewksbury NOTICE

All persons having accounts against the town should have the same in the hands of the selectmen for approval on or before December 31, 1914.

All persons having any articles they wish inserted in the warrant for town meeting must have the same in the hands of the selectmen on or before the 16th of January, 1915.

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## A GREAT HOLIDAY

If the warily Europe cast a little gloom over our enjoyment of Christmas it also in a measure added to our feeling of spirituality, for the contrast between the old and the new world waked the springs of gratitude in many a heart that is not often thrilled by holy impulses. In some quarters there might have been a gloom born of sad recollections, but in most cases our people gave themselves over to the splendid spirit of the time. The municipal celebration brought joy to many and so did the other public or semi-public affairs, but the real holiday spirit was manifested in the large congregations that thronged the churches and in the happy home circles. It was again, as it has always been, the day of all days, full of genuine sentiment and good cheer. May it dawn next year on a world free from the sorrows of a fraternal war!

Remember the old-fashioned Christmas cards with the white-roofed houses, the trees like tents, the light-

ed window-pane with its wreath of holly and scarlet ribbon, the little bird in the snow and the diamond glitter over everything? Now, wasn't it just like it?

Governor Walsh certainly gave some straight truths the other day in his little heart to heart talk before the Congregational ministers of Boston. Even his most bitter political opponent will admit on reading it that it got under the skin. If those who differ from him were to reveal their true sentiments in the same manly fashion, much of their animosity could be laid down to petty party politics.

And many a sad-eyed little fellow in Europe wished that Santa Claus would bring his papa back and it nearly broke old Santa's heart to refuse.

Poor old 1914 totters along on his last legs. Doctors do not hope for more than another week. Get ready to welcome the Crown Prince 1915.

Now, honest, did you forget the war yesterday?

A time of toys and trouble.

## SEEN AND HEARD

Some men are so worried over the European situation that they can't hold their own.

The men who have to run errands for other men to earn a living are doing it because they would rather use their feet than their heads.

## LIVING IN DREAMS

An illustration of "We live in dreams, not years," occurred when a schoolboy not far from Boston surprised his teacher when he said:

"Robbie, you may tell me when the days are longest."

"When we have to carry coal instead of going skating," replied the pseudo-philosopher.

## HARNESS RACING REVIVAL

Followers of harness racing are optimistic in regard to the future of the sport in the Old Bay State. An exceptionally fast half mile track is being built at Springfield in connection with the new \$100,000 fair grounds. Other indications of a revival of harness racing are the building of new tracks at Holyoke and Fitchburg, dedicated recently, and plans made for a new track at Lowell, and another between Fall River and New Bedford.

WELL, WHAT THE—  
There is a colored preacher in Mobile.

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Ala. says a friend of the Looker-On, who has no sympathies with the modern doctrines of some of his white brethren.

After preaching a tear sermon, one Sunday evening, upon the "good old-fashioned religious ideas" the divine in uncertain terms paid his compliments to the "new fangled religion."

Finally he brought down his fist on the pulpit as he wound up with:

"An, brethren, I wish to say that when all is said and done, the hell of my fathers is good enough for me."

## MOTION PICTURE INDUSTRY

Not the least notable thing about the motion picture industry is the opportunity it has given women to cope on an equal basis with men in the larger aspects of business life. There are probably more than a score of women who own or operate picture houses throughout New England. They visit the various film exchanges in Boston on the days when the "run-offs" or private exhibitions of new pictures are given, and select their programs for the coming week in a manner which arouses the liveliest interest among the men. One exchange manager said that the women in general show more discrimination in selecting pictures than their rivals, the men.

## SOME POPULAR GUY

The report of a recent conversation between Senator Lodge and Congressman Gardner regarding the extent to which the public reads the papers, is as follows:

"You read the newspapers, don't you?" asked Gardner.

"Certainly," replied Senator Lodge.

"Do you read them thoroughly?"

"I believe I do."

"Did you ever hear of Connie Mack?"

"Inquired Gardner.

"You mean Norman Mack, don't you?"

"I do not. I mean Connie Mack."

"I do not think I ever heard of him," replied Lodge.

"And still you assert that you read the newspapers thoroughly," remarked Gardner.

"But who is Connie Mack?" inquired the senator.

"He is a person," declared Gardner.

Impressively, "who is probably better known to several millions of American citizens than Henry Cabot Lodge."

I heard that Senator Lodge has a personal case of blindness, under delicate auspices over which much is made. He recently introduced a resolution "further to regulate the entrance of Chinese aliens into the United States," but when the bill came out in print as S. 775 the title read:

"Further to facilitate the entrance of Chinese aliens into the United States."

The printer's error caused a new edition of the bill to be got out.

## TWO LITTLE STOCKINGS

Two little stockings hung side by side, Close to the fireplace, broad and wide.

"Two?" said Saint Nick, as down he came.

Loaded with toys and many a game, "Ho-ho!" with a laugh of fun.

"I'll have no cheating, my pretty one, I know the dwells in this house, my dear."

There's only one little girl lives here—

So he crept up close to the chimney.

And measured a sock with a sober face;

Just then a wee little note fell out—

"I heard that Santa Claus has a bird about."

"Ah! what a loss!" said he in surprise.

As he pushed his specs up close to his eyes.

And read the address in a child's rough plan.

"Dear Saint Nicholas," so it began.

The other stocking you see on the wall.

I have hung for a child named Clara Hall.

She's a poor little girl, but very good.

So I thought, perhaps, you kindly would.

Fill up her stocking, too, tonight,

And help to make her Christmas bright.

If you're not too tired for both stockings there.

Please put all in Clara's. I shall not care.

Saint Nicholas brushed a tear from his eye.

And "God bless you, darling," he said.

Then softly he flew, through the chimney high.

A note like a bird's as it soared on high.

When down came two of the funniest mortals.

That ever were seen on this side of the portals.

"Hurry up!" said Saint Nick, "and nicely prepare."

All a little girls wants where money is rare.

Then what a scene there was in away went the elves, but down from the gloom.

Of the sooty old chimney came tumb-ling low.

A child's whole wardrobe from head to toe.

How Saint Nicholas laughed as he gathered them in.

And fastened each one to the sock with a pin!

Right to the top he hung a blue dress.

"She'll think it came from the sky," I guess.

Said Saint Nicholas, smoothing the folds of blue.

And tying the hood to the stocking, too.

When all the warm clothes were fastened on.

And both socks were tucked and done.

Then Santa Claus tucked a toy here and there.

And hurried away to the frosty air.

Saying, "I've put the poor, and bless the dear child."

Who pities them too, on this night so

wild." The wind caught the words, and bore them on high. Till they died away on the midnight sky. While Saint Nicholas flew through the sky air, Bringing peace and goodwill with him everywhere.

—Sarah Kobbles Hunt.

## EDITORIAL COMMENT

### BREATHE IT LOW

The Springfield Republican suspects that many of the men who assailed "Jem" Hunt on the floor of congress yesterday then hurried out to ease parched throats. Merely different in point of time from what Mark Twain observed long ago, "That whiskey goes into committee rooms in gentlemen and comes out in demagogues."—Worcester Post.

### THE FRANK MURDER TRIAL

Collier's Weekly is now engaged in a publicity campaign to prove that Leo Frank has been wrongfully convicted of the murder of Mary Phagan in Atlanta, a crime which started that city and the entire south. The attorney sent by Collier's to the Frank trial has a long and honorable experience in his profession and his duties are confined to the most serious consideration. He picks to place the government's evidence against Frank and to an unprejudiced mind makes out a strong case. That it was impossible for Frank to get a fair trial in a city seething with a desire that he be offered up as a sacrifice is quite plain shown in a series of articles written by the Collier representative, and for this and other reasons it is to be hoped that the case will finally get to a higher tribunal. —Eschburg Sentinel.

### POST OFFICE BUSINESS

The post office is doing the biggest business in its history due, of course, to the use of the parcel post which now probably does 75 per cent. of the Christmas business formerly handled by the express companies. In comparing the present and past business of the post office it must be done by estimating the amount of business done in the lines covered before the parcel post was established. Also in estimating the profit and loss, it must be made for the fact that the railroads are carrying a large portion of the new parcel post freight without pay or at least with the least possible charge. It goes before the parcel post became such a factor in the transportation business of the post office department. —Eschburg Sentinel.

### WHAT FRANCE WANTS

In his statement before the French chamber of deputies Premier Viviani laid down the conditions on which his government would accept peace. These are: Return of Alsace-Lorraine to France; restoration of Belgian territory and full indemnity for the losses she has sustained; and the crushing of Prussian militarism. —Worcester Gazette.

### THE BALKAN STATES

Bulgaria has given the allied powers definite assurances of its intention to maintain strict neutrality in the war now raging. On the strength of this assurance the entente powers, Great Britain, France and Russia have given guarantees to both Athens and Bucharest that Bulgaria will not attack Greece in the event of the latter country trying to go to the help of Turkey. Serbia, in its contest against Austria, Roumania also has been guaranteed immunity from attack by Bulgaria in case it should enter the war. This



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Is taken to foreshadow the approaching participation of Roumania in Greece in the conflict.—Fall River News.

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## WHAT THE FRENCH MAID SAID

### A NEW DECORATION

"I was just reading about the increasing use of Japanese cloths for curtains, couch covers and lots of things," said Marjorie as she entered with an open magazine in her hand. "Do you know anything about them?"

"Why yes, something," answered the French maid. "I have used quite a number of such stuffs in re-decorating madame's boudoir and it certainly makes a room very charming."

"Doubtless you know," continued Marjorie. "The blue and white cotton material, sold by the yard, with which Japanese are keeping us supplied. Well, as you also know, it has been used for numerous things besides curtains and pillow covers. It is extremely attractive curtains it makes, if one is careful to select a pattern suitable for the size of the room. But I was thinking of a very attractive panel I saw in a blue and white dining room. It was the only decoration the room boasted."

with the exception of the pale red which contained Canton china plate in the same wonderful tones of blue. The pattern of this panel was of wild ducks, flying over a stream in which were the usual number of rushes and posts. It was framed in black."

"This was the way it was done," said Marjorie. "The material



## PASSED 50TH MILESTONE

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Staveley  
Observed Golden Wedding  
Yesterday

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Staveley, of 29 Staveley street, Wiggwiltville, observed Christmas day by celebrating in good old fashioned style, the 50th anniversary of their marriage. The date of the anniversary properly is December 18 but it was decided to have the observance on the holiday for the accommodation of relatives from out of town whom they desired to be present.

Thus the happy affair took place yesterday afternoon and evening in St. John's parish house, in Gorbham street, where the venerable couple found themselves surrounded by a loving congregation of children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, and a grand time was enjoyed by all.

Mr. Staveley is now 71 years of age, but much younger in appearance and spirits, was born in the city of York, England, and moved in his young days to Huddersfield, Yorkshire, where he met and married Miss Harriet Armitage, in the old parish church of that city, the date of the happy event being December 18, 1864. They settled in Burchcliffe, a farming suburb of Huddersfield, where Mr. Staveley engaged in farming for several years. In February, 1885, they came to Lowell and took up their residence in Wiggwiltville, being among the earliest residents of that suburb of recent years.

Of the 14 children who blessed their union, 13 are living, and 12 of them were at the festivities of yesterday. Those present were: Mrs. A. Adler of Lowell, Mrs. A. Richardson of Worcester, Joseph Staveley of Chelmsford, Thomas Staveley of Wilmington, Henry Staveley of South Chelmsford, Robert Staveley of Lowell, Arthur Staveley of Worcester, Scott Staveley of Providence, R. I., and the Misses Edith, Agnes and Eva Staveley, who live with their parents at 23 Staveley street, Benjamin Armitage Staveley of West Chelmsford, by reason of illness, was unable to be present.

The grandchildren present were: Edith Adler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Adler of Lowell; Clifford Staveley Richardson and Mrs. Ruby Poole, children of Mr. and Mrs. A. Richardson of Worcester; Ernest, Beatrice, Norris, Wilford, Frank, Alice, Huba, Sarah and Elsie Staveley, children of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Armitage Staveley of West Chelmsford; Edgar, Roy, Guy, Ruth and Glenn Staveley, children of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Staveley of Chelmsford; Lawrence, Wilbur, Harriet and Lillian Staveley, children of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Staveley of Wilmington; Harry Staveley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Staveley of Worcester; Edna, Milton and Bert Staveley, children of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Staveley of South Chelmsford. Although Scott Staveley was present, Mrs. Staveley and her two children, Lincoln Scott and Grace Irma, were not there. The latter is now about two weeks old.

The two great-grandchildren present were Helen May and Ralph Staveley, children of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Staveley of Lowell; Ernest Staveley, it will be recalled, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Armitage Staveley of West Chelmsford.

A feature of the celebration was a musical program given by an orchestra composed of members of the family, exclusively of those taking part, as follows: Robert Staveley, double bass; Mark Staveley, cello; Ernest Staveley, cornet; Norris and Edgar Staveley, violins; and Wilford Staveley, piano. In addition to the orchestral numbers the following songs were given: "Good Bye, Miss Olive Coates and Mark Staveley," piano solo, Agnes and Wilford Staveley.

Dr. Naughton making an X-ray examination with The Improved Skiagraph as an aid to diagnosis. This and other wonderful methods of examinations are free to all who call on him at the New American Hotel, One Day Only, Monday, Dec. 28. Hours 10 a. m. to 7 p. m.

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The Ottawa hockey team defeated Dartmouth last night in one of the

A younger brother of Leach Cross, a former professional basketball player, started on the Canadian team last night and started in the right way. He was called, punched his opponent near the end of the first round and when the bell rang for the second verse Mr. Opponent couldn't be seen.

Dan "Rocky" Flynn of Boston came back strong in the last three rounds of his bout with the New York contender and landed a hard right hand in which he had a slight advantage. Flynn was heavier by 15 pounds but the New York fighter was faster. The Boston man's slogging right-handers evened matters up, however.

Speaking of Kid Williams reminds us that the Baltimore champion had

things pretty much his own way yesterday afternoon in his mixup with Johnny Daly in a New York ring. Metropolitan whirlwind did not look very well when Williams' short jolts began to sink into his ribs and kidneys, in fact he did well to last through the ten rounds.

The trade whereby Sherwood Magee was transferred to the Braves roster was a master stroke for O. B. Magee was all ready to jump to the outlaws and join the Philadelphia Athletics. Wiped up and decided to make the shift. Next season Magee will not be placed in the same position which he occupied last year relative to the decorations and other notions of the rich. He will be usually of the "pork and beans" class and may be expected to rise very far in the papulose world without first becoming battle scarred. The "pork and beans" may be Perfumery and pink ribbons may be added also.

George Stallings should make a better ball player out of Magee than he

Dartmouth has another star athlete by the name of Donahue. Donahue is playing a wonderful game at goal tending on the hockey seven. His stopping yesterday was nothing but a masterpiece on several occasions. It was not on one of these occasions that Donahue of this city was making them all sit up and take notice with his base catches as a member of the Dartmouth nine.

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Board of Health.

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**PRESENTED GOLD CASE**

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Not sufficiently large to purchase gifts for over five hundred children and all that remained to be done was to make a ganizer of the celebration to go out and get more money and this she did with flattering results for over \$125 was spent in purchasing toys and clothing for the case of the celebration yesterday. Mrs. Calista Alexander, object of a reception in the course of which the children showered her with thanks and kind greetings. She

# THE FRENCH ORPHANAGE

MRS. GEORGE E. CAISSE AGAIN PROVES BENEFACTRESS OF THE INSTITUTION

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Santa Claus impersonated by Dr. George R. Volney.

## Two Sins

The children assembled around Santa Claus and for over one hour the "old gentleman" was kept busy stripping the tree and distributing the gifts, which consisted of wearing apparel and toys. Needless to say many little heart was made happy, for each child received several toys and a number of wearing effects that, made his or her little heart thump with joy.

At the conclusion of the distribution Santa Claus was ushered to his seat and a most entertaining musical and literary program was carried out by the talent of the Institution, the numbers consisting of vocal selections,

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Chelmsford the thermometer fell to below, while in Billerica and Haverhill it was just two degrees higher. A railroad man who arrived in Lowell this morning stated that below weather was being realized.